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Sophomore to head GOP convention program

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
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For GW sophomore Garrett Peel, the 1996 Republican National Convention will be a lot more than red, white and blue balloons and a few boring speeches.

It will be his chance to show America what it means to be a proud, young Republican.

Peel, 19, was recently named the convention coordinator for youth services and events, which will be no small task when 20,000 to 30,000 young conventioneers descend on San Diego, Calif., for four days of partisan hoopla.

Peel, who serves as co-chair and leadership director of GW's newest Republican group, GOP SURGE, said the task will be daunting, but he's up for the challenge.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Peel said. "It gives me an opportunity to serve my party and to set an example for the youth in this country that you can be Republican and dedicated to a cause. And that you can be Republican and be young."

Peel said his time at GW has been an invaluable part of getting the job. As a political communication and pre-medicine major, Peel got his start with the GOP like many GW students, with an internship.

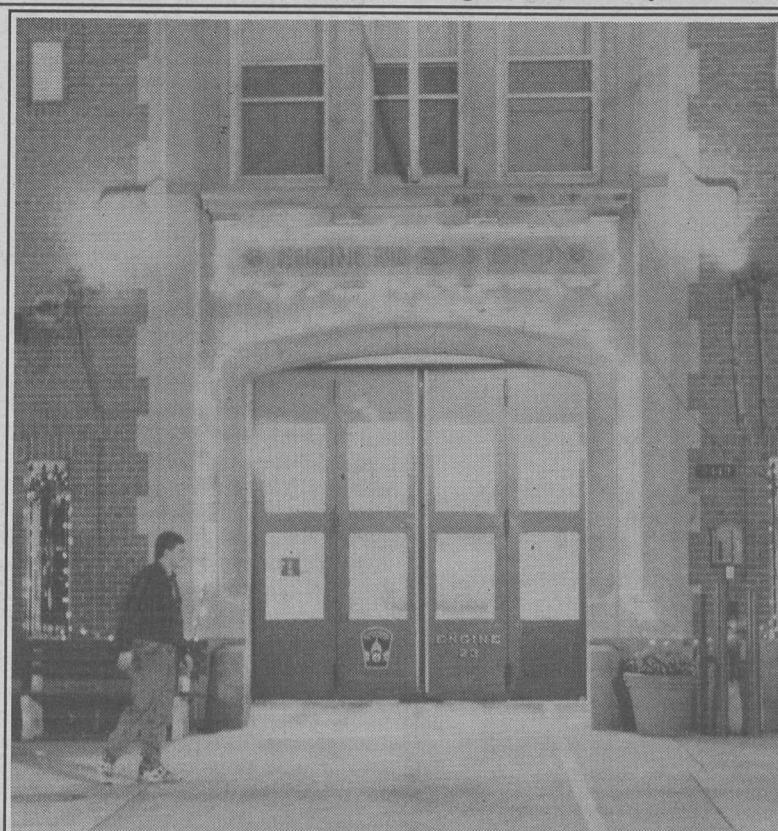
Last year, Peel interned for the Republican National Committee as an assistant to the 1996 convention coordinator. After spending some time there, Peel applied for the youth program position and beat out applicants from all over the nation to get the job.

Now he's working 40 to 50 hours a week in addition to taking a full load of classes. What makes him do it?

"I'm going to be able to see every aspect of the convention from the ground up," Peel said. "All the way from the convention site selection to the final gavel."

Peel, in addition to coordinating activities for 25,000 young Republicans, will be introducing some new aspects to the conven-

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All Lit Up: the fire station on G Street has been dressed for the holiday season with lights and decorations to spread some holiday cheer.

Violent crime against women still on rise

BY MICHELLE VON EUW
FEATURES EDITOR

Last year, a female student in Massachusetts was stalked so persistently that she withdrew from the summer program in which she was registered. Several years ago, a female college student was murdered at Lehigh University.

Violence against women on college campuses is an issue that often does not receive attention until a tragic attack occurs.

Jan-Mitchell Sherrill, assistant dean of students at GW, said violence against women on college campuses has increased since the 1970s. He said many schools had administrators who denied rapes and other crimes against women happened.

Before arriving at GW, Sherrill was director of the National Campus Violence Prevention Center, which is run out of Towson State University in Baltimore.

Because most college campuses are isolated places, female stu-

dents mistakenly believe they are safe and do not take the same precautions they normally would to protect themselves against attacks.

Many college administrators share these views. "People wrongly believe that it doesn't happen here," Sherrill said of many universities.

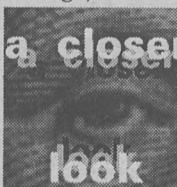
Each year, a national conference is held where faculty, staff, administrators and university police study statistics of violence on college campuses and discuss what to do about the problem.

However, the numbers of incidents of violence against women on college campuses continue to rise, Sherrill said.

Erica Bacich, a GW junior who is a representative of Womyn's Issues Now, said violence on college campuses runs the gamut from verbal attacks to femicide, which is the killing of women simply because they are women.

As awareness of the problem rises, so do the reports of attacks, Sherrill said. Still, rapes and sexual

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Group claims ex-chair embezzled funds

BY RACHEL JENSEN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Associate Dean of Students Jan-Mitchell Sherrill, for direction.

Sherrill suggested they call the bank and order a copy of the check. When they did, they said they discovered the check was made out to cash and signed by Feldman, the previous semester's executive chair.

According to Peterson, although Feldman's name was still on the account, "he, constitutionally, did not have the authority to make such a withdrawal." Sherrill suggested the organization turn the issue over to Judicial Affairs.

Feldman and Kurtz were rival candidates in last year's LGBA chair election. Peterson and Kurtz agreed to turn the information over to Judicial Affairs because of their desire "to not have this appear personal," Peterson explained. "Had I wanted to be personal," Kurtz explained, "I would have gone to Metro Police."

Feldman first heard of the problem when he received a summons

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Students may be losing points with Domino's

BY LEE RUMBARGER
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Calling for Domino's pizza is a familiar facet of GW life, but some students have discovered it to be hazardous to their meal points when orders are charged to the wrong person.

Domino's new record-keeping system keeps students' telephone numbers, addresses and ID numbers together on a computer file. Some Domino's employees, students say, have only been asking for the phone number — and charging pizza to the ID number paired with that number in the system, even if it is not the ID number of the person calling.

"We suspected that when (Domino's) just asks for the telephone number, the last person who called from that number is charged," said Nancy Haaga, GW's director for auxiliary and institutional services.

Domino's management "assured us that every time a student calls, they must be asked for their social security number and name, and must show their ID when the pizza is delivered," Haaga said.

Students, however, have a different story.

"I was watching TV in a friend's room and called to order pizza. I specifically said it wasn't my room, but they billed the wrong person anyway," GW junior Matt Borer said.

Borer said he considers this mistake "very predictable" with the system Domino's uses.

But Scott Feldman, manager of the Domino's franchise on 21st Street, said the problem is not the system, but rather roommates abusing each others' ID cards when they have access to social security numbers or the cards themselves.

"I think it hasn't even been detected by students whose cards are being used. It is a problem at all locations (that take points), not just Domino's," Feldman said.

It is possible to call up every meal a student has ever purchased, Haaga said, so students who suspect their points have been misused can be helped.

Without specific incidents to point to, it is difficult to argue strongly for students' cases, Haaga said. "If people are having a problem, I would love to know about it," she said.

Talkin' loud and sayin' nothing

It's almost that time to remember Christmases past

It is now Dec. 4, and I've been humming Christmas carols since daylight savings time. Something about the premature darkening of days makes me think about brightly lit Christmas trees.

Something about the rapidly approaching end of another semester draws my thoughts to a flight far away from blue books and home to presents and Perry Como and my mom's Christmas Eve food orgy, the Best Damn Dinner of the Year.

If you don't observe the holiday

season by going to church Dec. 25 or singing "Silent Night" or trying to reconcile the birth of Jesus with various pagan rituals, forgive my indulgence. I don't know Hanukkah. I don't know Kwanzaa. Christmas I know.

Christmas Eve is to this day the only day of the year when I do all of the following things: take a shower first thing in the morning, comb my hair, wear shoes all day, help with dinner and watch no TV (except, of course, for the special episode

of "The Flintstones" on cable where Fred replaces Santa after he falls desperately ill). If for no other reason, that makes it one exceptional day.

David Larimer

The heart of the festivities begins at six o'clock, with my parents, my two brothers and my sister sitting down to The Best Damn Dinner of the Year. Steak and shrimp and about 40 other goodies, which, not coincidentally, is what the Magi subsisted on during their long journey to Nazareth.

You think we open the presents next, right? That's what I would always think. Then the Masseys would show, an enormous clan of carolers led by the Mister — a terrific guy with the body of John Candy, the voice of James Earl Jones and the face of Droopy Dog — and the Missus — a sweet, tiny woman with a German accent and an overpowering hug.

Sound like great folks, right? Not when you're five years old. They'd come over, sing "Silent Night," then sit down and drink Tom and Jerrys and smoke butts until I felt like clawing my eyes out and yakking the night away while I had to stare at the unwrapped presents just knowing something involving Hot Wheels was in one of them.

Now I always seem to miss that special episode of "The Flintstones." My oldest brother went East and doesn't get back often. Then Mr. Massey passed away and Mrs. Massey moved to Michigan and the caroling stopped. And Dec. 4 becomes the time of year to worry about what else might change this year.

Dad, do you remember how you'd fly off the handle once every Christmas Eve night because your youngest child could no longer

attempt to restrain his raging Christmas candy sugar high in the face of a mountain of presents that no one would let him unwrap?

Mom, do you remember how, when all at once, all the guests would arrive, dinner would begin to overcook and all the kids would start whining about opening presents? You'd respond by singing, as some sort of peppy exhortation for everyone to behave, "Well, we need a little Christmas, *right this very minute!*" Only "right this very minute" would have all the manic cheer of Lizzie Borden about to run to the woodshed to sharpen something.

Joe, do you remember when I was five and would climb into bed with you, and you told me how you once saw Rudolph come toward our house, fly straight over the window of our upstairs bedroom and land on the roof? You'd lean over to the radio and, turning the dial, listen beyond the static and relay Santa's secret flight coordinates as he neared our town. Then you'd point at a radio tower and swear to me that the red light on top was Rudolph. I'd never fallen asleep so quickly in my life.

I remember. And the Masseys, who came caroling last year for the first time in years, remember. And while my oldest brother won't be home, he does too. So do my sister and her husband and their five-year-old daughter, who no doubt will be as exasperated by all the pomp and circumstance as I was.

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Campus donates food for homeless

New coalition aims to help the needy

BY ANNE M. GLENZER
HATCHET REPORTER

While GW students eat at J Street, many people live on the street without food, said sophomore Ian Rikers Trivers, co-chair of Hillel's community service committee.

In the spirit of the holidays and cooperation, more than 30 GW student organizations and six administrative offices have joined to collect food for the hungry through the United Food Drive. The organizations are joined under the Community Circle, a new coalition designed to bring together student groups that work on community service activities.

Students and staff are asked to donate non-perishable food items by Dec. 19 to boxes located around campus.

Donation boxes are located on the ground, first and fourth floors in the Marvin Center, in the Rice Hall lobby, residence halls, Foggy Bottom Grocery on F Street and several campus apartment buildings.

"Students who are packing up to leave for break and find they have extra cans can bring them to one of the boxes," said sophomore Rusty Stahl, who helped form the Community Circle.

"I have a friend who has 10 cans of ham and beans and he

doesn't eat ham," Trivers said. "I told him to throw them in the box."

One of the valuable points of the project is that it involves the campus and the community, said Kuyomars "Q" Golparvar, SA director of community relations.

Saturday, members of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority went to the Georgia Avenue Safeway to collect donations. Flyers were distributed to shoppers as they entered the store requesting they buy an extra can of food to donate as they leave, said senior Audra Polk, vice president of Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Once the food is collected, it will be distributed through a Foggy Bottom organization or the Neighbors' Project, Stahl said.

The food drive is the first activity organized by the newly formed Community Circle coalition. The idea behind the coalition, which is only three months old, is to get groups to work together that normally would not, Stahl said.

In the past, a lack of communication existed between groups that were doing community service activities, he said. The coalition fills in the lack of communication, he added.

"One of the problems on campus is that there is so much (activity) going on," he said. Each organization does its own activity with little communication to involve a

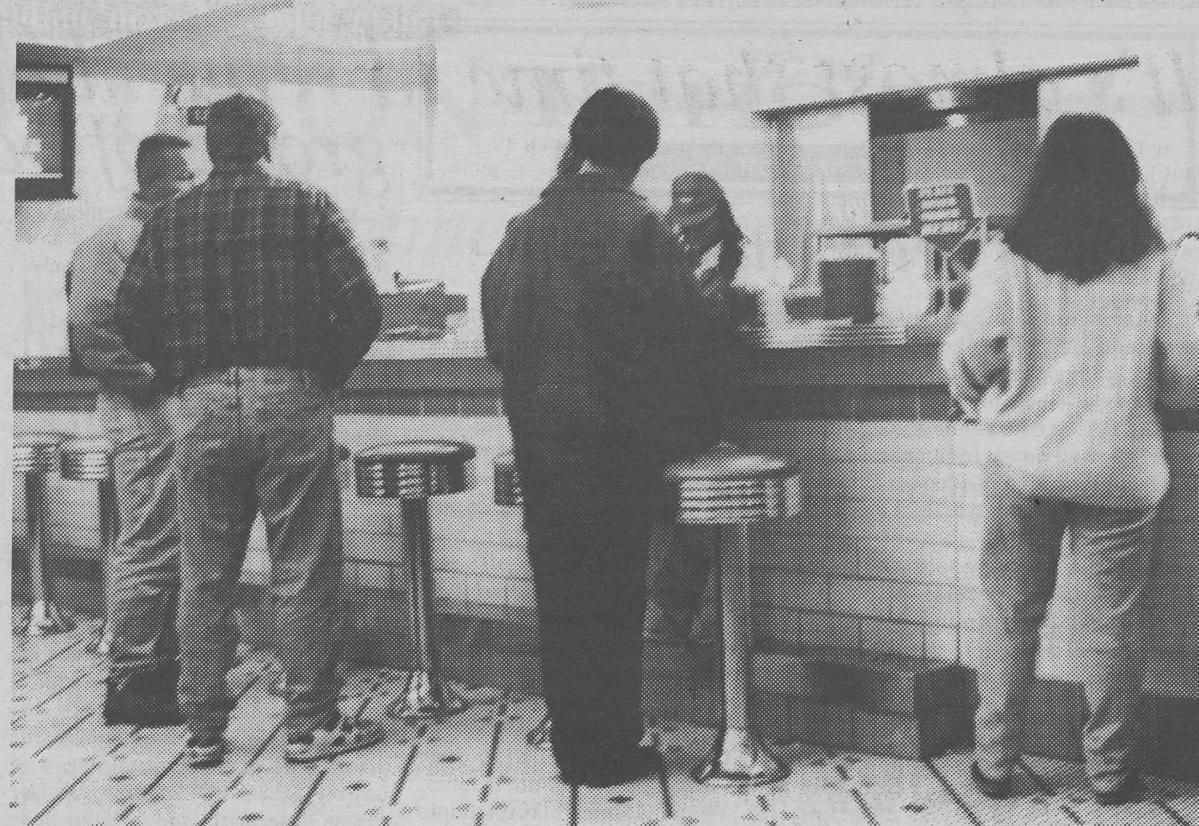


photo by Aaron Deemer

Students like these waiting for their orders at J Street can redeem their unused meal plan points for food that a new coalition of student groups will be donating to area homeless shelters.

broad range of students. With the increase of communication and cooperation in the coalition, events become bigger and better, he said.

"It is amazing, the amount of community service on campus," Stahl said. When groups sit around the circle, they are able to see each others' efforts and how they can help, he said.

Polk also spoke about the efforts of the coalition.

"I've met people that I never

would have known," she said, adding that the coalition is a great opportunity to share ideas and network with other organizations. Bringing other people into the idea process helps everyone, she said.

Though many groups already take part in community service activities, the SA is looking into the idea of requiring or encouraging service for all campus groups.

Lance Rothenberg, a member of the SA student life committee,

said the SA bounced around the idea of financial implications for groups that do not perform community service, but that did not seem fair, he said. Forced community service seemed counter-productive to volunteering, he added.

The SA distributed surveys regarding community service to student groups, he said. He added that the SA wanted to get input from groups before any action was taken. The resolution is still being considered.

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Wrong number

Once again the Student Association promised to release a timely, serviceable student phone book. And once again it didn't happen. With all the snags the SA invariably hits in compiling and publishing the directory, it's becoming more apparent that it's time for some changes.

The SA, of course, had good intentions. For the first time, students were allowed to exclude themselves from the directory when registering for fall semester classes. But the inevitable delay came when much of that information was lost when the University upgraded its computer software.

However, in respecting the privacy of some, the numbers of many students are left out as well, even if no request to restrict them was given. Listed on-campus numbers are few and far between, even though the extension for each room in residence halls remains the same from year to year. If the number for each dorm room is known in advance, why can't the name of its resident simply be plugged in each year?

Furthermore, those students who have their billings mailed to their permanent addresses may have that address and phone number listed, which begs the question, does knowing Yegor Mescheriakov's home phone number in Minsk do anyone any good?

If this process is indeed as difficult as its yearly delays and errors indicate, the SA should consider working with other University offices in simplifying the process. How about starting by making it policy for every residence hall to distribute lists of each room's extension, as Thurston Hall does?

Better yet, why not tighten the budget allocated to the substandard directory — which is only good for one semester anyway — and expand the budget for the Marvin Center information desk? The information desk has in past years served as a valuable resource in providing both student and faculty numbers — something the directory has not been adequately able to do — but budget cuts to the Office of Campus Life have shortened its hours and left it understaffed. If the current directory is the best the SA can do, it might be best to support those who can do the job better.

Special delivery?

Even though it no longer offers its 30-minute guarantee, Domino's Pizza still holds time as its utmost priority. So much, in fact, that apparently it doesn't mind screwing its best customers.

A new computer at the delivery pizzeria lets employees know the address for a delivery order by simply getting the phone number of each customer. The problem is, Domino's has taken the liberty of adding the social security number of any customer who orders meals on points. Any subsequent order on points made from that phone can then be charged to the meal plan account of whose number is in the computer, not necessarily the account of who placed the order.

The onus is on Domino's employees to confirm whether the social security number listed on their computer is correct, then to check the customer's ID when making the delivery. Apparently, that is not happening. Furthermore, Scott Feldman, Domino's manager, is in denial that any such mix-up is happening.

Sure, it's a time-saving measure, but it is beginning to cost GW students — who single-handedly keep the nearby franchise in business — a lot of money. And it's safe to say that precious pizza-making time would not be sacrificed if Domino's employees spared the extra 10 seconds per call to get a social security number.

If Domino's single largest group of clientele speaks up, the business will listen. The next time you place an order on points, be sure to confirm your social security number, or simply ask them to take yours off the computer. It is, after all, your money.

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Former LGBA chair accuses group of back-stabbing behavior

In preparing this statement, I wish to let people know what has transpired between the GW Lesbian Gay Bisexual Alliance and myself. To start, I bear no malice toward the LGBA or GW. Rather, I am upset with those individuals who created this incident and who at no time were willing to resolve it.

I was accused, behind my back, of stealing \$500 from an LGBA account. This claim was never once expressed directly to me previous to its becoming a matter with Judicial Affairs and University Police. At no time was I ever asked to explain myself in advance of a summons to appear at a hearing. Meanwhile, the rumor mill was afloat with all sorts of claims naming me as an extortionist, a criminal and even a flat-out thief. Of course, these claims are untrue and without any base.

Julianne Kurtz and John Peterson, as representatives of the LGBA, filed a report with University Police which subsequently became a matter of Judicial Affairs. At no time was this ever even hinted at, or mentioned, to me. All the while I continued my involvement with LGBA and things seemed to be business as usual. And at no time was I ever asked if in fact I had stolen money. Attempts to speak with LGBA advisor Jan-Mitchell Sherrill were rebuffed, and an e-mail explaining my position on all of this went unanswered. According to LGBA representatives, the sole reason for this was that "it was not protocol."

Further, I was requested not to make this a public spectacle. I was also told multiple times to "not take this personally." I find this claim

ludicrous. In their report to University Police, Peterson and Kurtz named me as the sole suspect. I could have possibly been expelled according to Judicial Affairs, and no one within LGBA would speak to me about this. How else was I to take this, save personally?

In meeting with Judicial Affairs, a number of discrepancies were found between what the LGBA had

**Scott
Feldman**

claimed and what in fact had actually occurred. One clear example involves a check that I wrote to The GW Hatchet. This check was entered into evidence with the explanation that I wrote this check without any clear authority. Yet it was proven beyond any reasonable doubt that the check in question was properly written by the express request of Kaari Oberg, the current publicity chair of the LGBA. Further, this check was torn, voided and never used.

I was willing to assist the group in any way possible over the summer, but when I did, it seems that they had their own motives for what went on. The question of why that check was never drawn on, and in turn used as evidence against me, has to this point gone unanswered.

In the Judicial Affairs hearing regarding my involvement in the group's finances, it was proven that I was not in violation of any student code as I had been accused. It was further proven that the structural organization of the LGBA finances was lacking. This hearing at the least does not bode well for the

LGBA. I fear that they will need to be careful in the future as the eyes of the University are upon them.

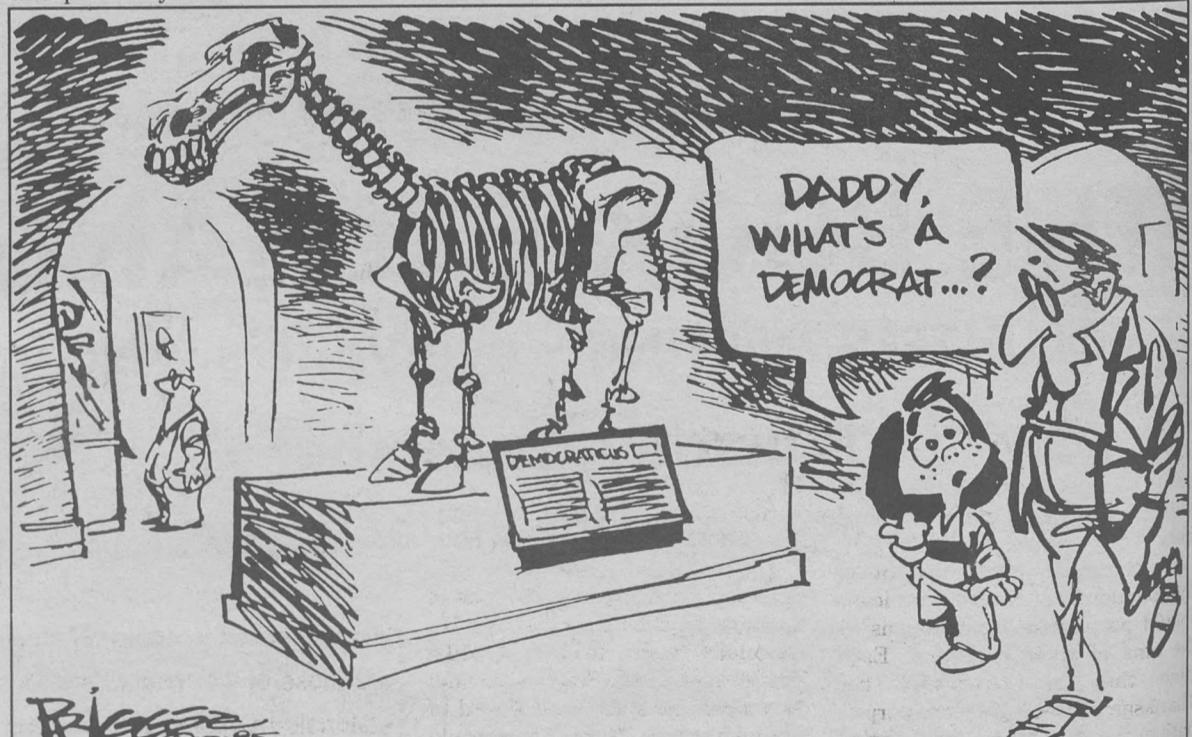
As for me, I cannot find it within me to continue at this University. I have now witnessed what two students with their own axes to grind can do to another student. Their behavior and that of the University has been deplorable. In the interests of carrying on with my life and my education, I have found it preferable to go elsewhere. I am also preparing and considering the mounting of a civil suit naming the complainants in this case against me and the University as liable for my defamation of character.

I regret that this is the response I have to take, but I have no other option. Specifically, John Peterson and Julianne Kurtz, as representatives of the LGBA, chose this course of action for themselves, for me and for the University as a whole. They simply could have asked me to explain myself and we could have settled this all, or at least attempted to, before involving Student Judicial Services and UPD. Instead, I was cornered, and now it is my time to react.

Lastly, I wish to thank the members of the LGBA who have stood by me in this. Friends are, or should be, forever. I also want to use this statement to warn others who try to work with or within the LGBA. This is what happened to me, and while it may seem like an extreme case, if this is their "protocol," be careful.

I wish the group and its members success in their future endeavors.

— Scott Feldman, a junior, is the former executive chair of the GW LGBA.



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LACK OF FOCUS



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No thanks

Mr. Syphrit answered his own question when he asked, "Why is (Thanksgiving) racism? Because white people celebrate it or it may tenuously have something to do with putting down Native Americans?" (The GW Hatchet, "Thankful, too," Nov. 30, p. 5).

Yes, Mr. Syphrit, Thanksgiving is racist because it, like Columbus Day, is a reminder to living Native Americans of Western Europe's rape and subsequent domination of their land. Regardless of whether there really was some mythical day in the 1600s when the pilgrims and Native Americans sat down at "the table of brotherhood" together, Thanksgiving does not excuse the genocide of Native Americans by Western Europeans and their descendants.

We cannot de-emphasize the violent and bloody "founding" of America in order to point out a small anomaly as cosmic proof that America is some sort of wonderful blending pot. It is not "a feast to celebrate the coming together of people of different cultures," as Mr. Syphrit feels.

Furthermore, the descendants of the conquerors of Native Americans should not excuse those actions as the sins of their ancestors. Each time they sit down at the Thanksgiving table they are perpetuating the "no harm done" belief concerning Native American and conqueror relations. This myth serves as an excuse for Western European consciousness. If Western Europeans can somehow rationalize that their historical victims learned to "love" or "like" their relationships with their oppressors, then they can assuage their own guilt over the sins of their ancestors. Not only is this ostentatiously racist, it implies that the genocide never occurred.

And for those of you who believe

that it did not happen, I ask that one day you take a trip to look out over the waters surrounding the Key Bridge in Georgetown. On both sides of the river there were once rival Native American tribes — one in what is now Virginia, one in Maryland and D.C. Do you see any Native Americans anywhere at all? I didn't.

—Sarah Effie Stanfield, freshman

Well done

A note of congratulations to the GW community for a job well done! During GW's Hunger Awareness Week and the Oxfam Fast for a World Harvest, more than 750 meals were signed off and more than \$6,000 was donated to end hunger and poverty around the world. The Hunger Banquet continues to be a GW tradition. Thank you!

Special kudos go to the Hunger Awareness Planning Committee, those who held programs during the week and all those who staffed the sign-up table in the Marvin Center and at Thurston Hall. You worked hard and it showed! The whole crew from GW Dining Services (especially Carlotta Botvin and Tim Karnes) deserve a particularly loud round of applause for their contributions. We especially want to thank Mike Zinsmeister, Stan Stepnowski and Ana Echevarria for their Board of Chaplains work. None of this would have come off without Dan Speelman's great leadership — the real mover and shaker of the week.

Each year, Hunger Awareness Week gets bigger and better. Next year, GW, watch out for even more ways in which you can do your part to make this world a more sane and livable place. You do make a difference.

—Rev. Laureen Smith and Rev. Jim Greenfield, Board of Chaplains

Disenchantment with leaders has America standing at crossroads

Long before the "Prozac revolution" started to encroach on their business, psychoanalysts in the Freudian tradition taught us a lesson that sat particularly well in a democratic society founded by a revolutionary war.

When you emphasize any quality in a loud and stressed voice, psychoanalytic thinkers declared, you are probably testifying to the attraction you feel toward its dialectical opposite. "You protest too much," ran the reasoning of the analysts. "People do that when they're experiencing strong inner doubts."

The United States of America began with a declaration of independence that also represented a defeat for the very notion of royal authority and for the idea that there was something sacred about the presence and power of a king. Having turned the anti-authoritarian perspective into an actual functioning republic, Americans, like ancient Romans who did away with the republic that had replaced their original monarchy, felt an obvious "authority deficit."

We appear to be occupying, right now, one of those moments in time when Americans are dialectically suspended between the skepticism they inherited from the 18th-century Enlightenment — much of it embodied in "separation of powers" as decreed by our Constitution and by "rights" enforced through our judicial system — and the symbolisms of sacred authority once identified with the overthrown King George III.

When Americans raised an enormous obelisk as a monument to their first President, who has often been characterized as a regicide king, they were casting a significant glance backward at pharaonic Egypt, whose smaller obelisks were also much in demand in the Rome of the Caesars.

When Americans release their

hunger for unquestioned authority, with its threatening negation of democratic values, what are they actually hungering for? Not to be omitted from the ideological "brew" is a certain yearning for innocence. On his recent visit to America, Pope John Paul II delivered homilies "straight from the heart" and, in identifying with the little children in the surrounding crowds, represented an antithesis of sorts to secular politicians probing for each other's weaknesses and seek-

Stephen Joel Trachtenberg

ing to put each other down through the permanent competition defined by our Constitution.

John Paul II is truly "il papa," the shepherd required by his otherwise lost sheep. And by the sheer breadth of his linguistic skills, as well as his meetings with representatives of so many other faiths, he seems to revive the ancient quest, traceable to the earliest Christian church, for a universal dominion founded in love rather than in political power, with all its disillusioning compromises.

The Pope paid homage to democracy, but defined it as the freedom to do what one ought rather than merely what one wants. Democracy and virtue, he in effect declared, are destined to have a historical love affair. This came as good news to an American public already showing signs of weariness with the presidential politics pointing us toward 1996. And we can assume that his closest advisors have been keeping him informed of just what serious doubts Americans are currently having with regard to their earlier emphasis on rights.

For those of us who work in higher education, the Pope's implicit and explicit messages

carry a particularly sharp challenge. What we teach, after all, and what we encourage our students to learn, are the analytic skills that take an automatic anti-authoritarian stance toward the "impressions" made by any unverified institution, including governments and those responsible for administering them.

Even as America is reinvigorating the powers reserved to its states and is reducing both the status and the prerogatives of its federal government, it stares transfixed at a crowned human being who represents a highly centralized ecclesiastical system, in which power definitely radiates from a "top" to a "bottom" as clearly as any such arrangement on our planet.

In our colleges and universities, in other words, we currently seem mandated to study, with entirely secular tools, the intrinsic tension represented by secularism. In the Euro-American West of two centuries ago, the realities of authoritarian rule seemed to consist mainly of persecution and injustice and to inspire educated people with feelings of distrust and disgust.

Now the reverse seems to be true. We watch our constitutional ideals playing themselves out in our legislatures and our courts, and we feel the despair always provoked when external realities seem to contradict internal ideals. Where is the freshness once identified with democracy and with the notion that each and every one of us is chock-full of "rights"? Where is the world of our democratic innocence? And does the success of the Pope's visit carry any message with regard to the future of American politics?

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SA focuses on revamping freshman advising

Mory and Alexander hope to standardize curriculum

BY SHANNON JOYCE
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

The Student Association may recommend changes to the freshman advising workshop program after some students complained that the workshops did not follow a standardized program or provide enough information about freshman life.

The SA held a meeting Tuesday to solicit input from students. Undergraduate Sen. Scott

Mory (CSAS), chair of the SA senate academic affairs committee, said he hoped to "get feedback from Colonial Inauguration to the end of the semester."

The majority of student complaints centered around the structure of the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences' freshman advising workshop. Freshman Ruby Thomas said the curriculum of the course needs to be standardized. Thomas said her class had to write papers, do oral pre-

sentations and other assignments, while other sections took field trips to Bertucci's and tours of the library.

Kim Kessler, a student in the School of Engineering and Applied Science, said her school's version of the class "covered nothing about the freshman experience." While the course covered aspects of SEAS, Kessler said she did not know she had to meet with an advisor and "the process of scheduling was very hard."

Students also had many suggestions for improving Colonial Inauguration academic counseling. "It almost seems overwhelming at times," freshman Darryl Diamond said. To help freshmen wade through the registration process, Diamond suggested a special course book for first-year students that would exclude upper-division courses not appropriate for freshmen and include descriptions of the composition courses as well as information on Advanced Placement and SAT II credit.

Diamond also suggested sending a list of closed classes and the SA's Academic Update to students before CI.

Some students suggested completing the 10-class workshop during CI. Freshman Judy Klein said topics such as how to use Gelman Library could be covered

during CI. She said some sections did not visit the library until as late as October, if at all.

Elizabeth Alexander, SA vice president for academic affairs, said the program "needs to be more standardized and get students out of the classroom." She suggested a program that combines an introduction to GW with tips on life in the city.

Mory said although GW "gives the advisors the freedom to tailor their classes," they need to include "a centralized curricu-

lum."

"It should be something informative," Thomas said. Diamond agreed that many of the topics addressed in the course were redundant. He said the counseling center offers courses on study skills and time management, a topic covered in many courses, if students feel they need them.

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GW travels around globe with 175th flags

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

Going somewhere exotic for the holidays? The University suggests you take a piece of GW with you and help create history as part of the University's 175th Anniversary celebration.

The University is distributing commemorative 175th anniversary flags to be flown around the world to students, staff and alumni this year in an effort to "bring the celebration to the nation and the world," said GW senior Fred Helmstetter, who is coordinating the project with Alumni Admissions Program Director Ron Howard.

Helmstetter said 10 flags have already been flown in places such as St. Petersburg, Russia, by GW student Sarah Keller; all over southeast Asia by undergraduate Assistant Director of Admissions Touran Afshar; and around the world aboard the Semester at Sea program ship by former Director of Campus Activities Steve Loflin. Plans are also being made to fly

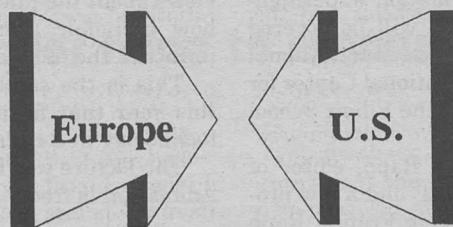
the flags at AT&T corporate headquarters in New Jersey by GW Board of Trustees Chairman John Zeglis, at United Nations headquarters by GW alumnus and former Ambassador to Kuwait Edward "Skip" Gnehm and at the New Mexico State Supreme Court by another GW alumnus.

The flags should be signed by people in the places they are flown, and some flags already have some signatures in Thai, Japanese and Russian. All flags will be displayed at the Commencement exercises on the Ellipse in May.

Helmstetter said the only requirement for flying the flag is that a color picture of the flag in its new location needs to be sent back to GW to be put on display. The location need not be exotic, Helmstetter said. Even a "farm in Iowa" would be fine, he said.

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For some, Bosnian war is too close to home

(CPS) — November is a time when many students are busy planning a trip home for the holidays. But some U.S. students from Bosnia say they realize they may never see home again.

Their homeland has been destroyed. Neighbors have disappeared and families have been ripped apart. Personal childhood treasures have been reduced to ashes.

When they came to the United States in the early 1990s, most were Yugoslavian exchange students, away from home for the first time and enjoying classes and newfound friends. But suddenly, with the end of communist rule, their nation split apart and ethnic violence flared. By April 1992, the war in Bosnia had begun. And these young people were left in limbo.

"I couldn't go back home. There was no way to get in safely," said Azra Medjedovic, then a senior at a Miami high school. She was approaching the end of her 10-month stay and had been scheduled to return to her hometown of Tuzla, near Sarajevo, in May. Instead, she was stranded.

"I applied to FIU (Florida

International University in Miami) and they gave me an academic scholarship," she said.

Azra, now a junior at FIU, has not seen her family since 1991. For years, she had almost no communication with them. The phone lines have only recently opened, so she can speak to them more frequently.

"They are alive, and that's the best I can tell you," she said quietly. "My mother is really sick, and she doesn't have her medicine and diet that she needs. My brother has been recently sent to the frontlines. He's a doctor, but as part of the medical staff, he goes out there. The city has been shelled for the last couple years. The people are pretty much starved."

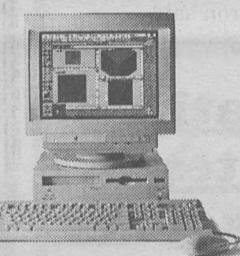
But Azra has remained unbelievably strong, even when, in 1992, Hurricane Andrew wiped out the last of her few possessions from Bosnia. Today, the chemistry major maintains a nearly perfect grade point average (3.97) while on full scholarship. She also works 40 hours a week as a secretary, calculus grader, math tutor and piano teacher. She is an award-winning classical pianist and published writer.

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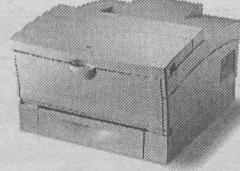
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Official says SA must solve book problem

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

Nancy Haaga, GW's director of auxiliary and support services, has drawn fire from the Student Association for being inflexible in supplying a master list of books from the GW Bookstore.

She said Friday that the decision to release the list for the SA book exchange is out of her hands.

The SA requested a copy of the master list of all books ordered by professors for next semester in order to facilitate the second annual book exchange. Both Haaga and Bookstore General Manager David Peterson said they could not release the list because of "contractual agreements."

Haaga said she is not in a position to make a decision regarding the release of the list. She said the SA needs to submit a detailed letter to GW's Associate Vice President for Business Affairs Al Ingle explaining why it needs a copy of the list.

"This doesn't have much to do with this office," Haaga said. "Perhaps we can work out an agreement for something that will work, but (releasing the list) is not my decision to make."

Last year, SA President Mark Reynolds petitioned the bookstore for the list but was unable to get one. Reynolds said he had to spend more than 175 hours over winter break compiling a list of books that were needed for classes.

Haaga said last year Reynolds petitioned Associate Vice President for Finance John Schauss, who has since left GW, to release the list. She added that her department spoke to Follett, the company that manages the bookstore, "on behalf of students" in an effort to waive the bookstore's exclusive rights to the list.

That petition was unsuccessful and the list was not released. The bookstore claimed releasing the list would violate its exclusive contract with the University.

Haaga said she is in a difficult position because she has to "protect the rights and responsibilities of the contractor and the University. It's a dual role."

Junior David Petron, who is coordinating the book exchange with senior Jodi Reborchick, said the conflict between Haaga's office and the SA was a result of "confusion as to who makes contract-related decisions."

"If it is not her decision to make, then we will seek out the proper authority to do so," Petron said.

Petron responded to bookstore concerns that, if the list is released to the SA, it could get leaked to other bookstores in the area and have a negative impact on the bookstore's sales.

The Student Association is the responsibly elected or appointed representative of students, and as such, I think we can be trusted" with the list, Petron said.

GW study examines local school reforms

Educational reformation in local schools and the professionalism of the teachers that run such programs was the topic of a recent study conducted by the GW Graduate School of Education and Human Development (GSEHD).

Almost 1,000 educators from 183 Washington-area schools – urban, suburban and rural – were interviewed for the survey. The study found that use of computers and cooperative learning were the most common aspects of school reform.

"A wide range of reforms and school improvement

initiatives" are taking effect in the nine school districts surveyed, according to a press release. GSEHD also noted that the more school-specific reforms were, the more teachers and administrators liked them. Many of the reform programs, the study showed, do match the preferences of the educators.

The report also offers recommendations for combining the desires of teachers and the need for educational reform. Copies of the study are available to the public from GSEHD.

-Anne Miller

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Gelman acquires new 'Jewish Heritage' videos

BY JUDI MAHANEY
HATCHET REPORTER

The rapidly growing resources of the film and TV media has made it possible for the American Jewish community at GW to explore the heritage of its faith at Gelman Library.

The library has recently added "The Jewish Heritage Video Collection," a gift from the Ryna and Melvin Cohen Family Foundation Inc., to its collection, making such information easily available to GW staff and students.

The collection, acquired last

summer, is a project of The Jewish Media Fund and was produced by the Charles H. Revson Foundation. It contains 200 feature films and TV programs, each dealing with a wide spectrum of themes and subjects relating to Jewish life in America. Issues relating to the American Jewish

community are examined in various manners.

Within the collection are many widely-known films, such as *Schindler's List*, *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, and *Europa, Europa*, as well as other well-known productions, smaller films, documentaries and foreign films.

The collection is intended to be a teaching tool for professors to design their courses around and to stimulate discussion and thought on such issues as Jewish identity, history and culture. Other universities have received the collection

as well.

Professors are encouraged to use these videos as class materials for the benefit of their students. Suggested themes for incorporation of the videos into classes include the Holocaust, American Jewish comedy, American Jewish directors, growing up Jewish, Jewish image in American film and "visions of Israel."

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GW confirms purchase of two townhouses

University officials confirmed a report published in the Nov. 9 issue of The Washington Post that GW has purchased two townhouses in the Foggy Bottom area.

"It is the University's policy to purchase property near our campus for the future," said Kevin Muldoon, the University's real estate property manager. The townhouses are at 605 21st Street and 526 22nd Street. The prices of the houses were \$400,000 and \$300,000, respectively.

While Muldoon said he does not know of any plans for the new property, he did say the townhouses could be sites for future construction. Muldoon added that ultimately the decision on how to use the property will be determined by the

University's space committee.

The University's acquisition of the new property further augments its position as the District of Columbia's largest property holder. In the past, acquisition of property by GW and the University's plans to build on campus have prompted opposition from the members of the Foggy Bottom community as well as the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A.

However, Muldoon said no objections have been raised yet by the Foggy Bottom community or the ANC. "Normally they do not take a position on our building plans unless they are concrete," he explained.

-Jay Jagannathan

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Professors use Web as teaching tool

(CPS) — An increasing number of college professors are requiring students to use the Internet, and specifically the World Wide Web.

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"The best thing about the Internet is that it gives students access to the outside world, to places and things they would never be exposed to with ordinary textbooks," said Robert Krawczyk, a studio professor at the Illinois Institute of Technology's College of Architecture who uses his own home page on the Web to supplement lectures.

While some critics argue that on-line technology isolates students from the world on campus, Internet aficionados say nothing is lost in the way of socialization.

"Certainly the Net can be isolating, but I encourage my students to network and to make contact with people on-line. It's a way of meeting people in places like Poland or Turkey and sharing ideas," Krawczyk said.

Using the Internet as an educational tool is not a new concept. Four years ago, the University of

Minnesota developed a search tool known as Gopher, which can access text-based files around the world. More recently the Web and various browsing tools have been developed to access a wider variety of files.

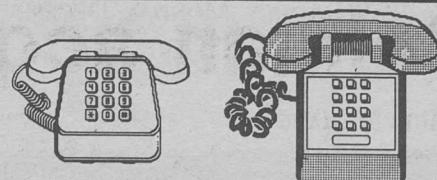
"(On-line education) is extremely liberating in that the classroom is no longer confined to a specific time and place, and the source of information is no longer just the teacher or an old textbook," said Curtis Bliss, English instructor at the State University of New York at Albany.

Abraham Bass, associate professor of journalism at Northern Illinois University, developed an introduction to the Internet on his home page that has students and faculty surfing almost instantly.

"Finding the information is more fun than traditional methods because if you get bored, you can explore other things on-line that are more exciting," Bass said.

The only problems Bass sees about encouraging Internet use among students is that some users become addicted. Others, however, become discouraged by slow information searches and boring results. It's recommended that each class have less than 15 people.

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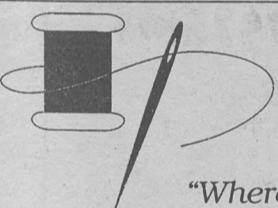
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IMPRESSIONS

Say Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah in song

Take the easy route in shopping and look no further than the record store for all your holiday gift-giving

With the mounds of work you have to do at the end of the fall semester, it is easy to forget the holidays are approaching. Somewhere in between writing papers and studying for exams, you have to go shopping for holiday gifts for your friends and family. Why not make it easy for yourself, and warm up your loved ones' winter, by giving some hot new music? Here's a shopping guide to some new releases:

• For the Christmas nostalgic, holiday music is always a winner. But the choice selections are slim this year. Atlantic Records is dreaming of a green Christmas with its two star-studded Christmas compilations. Unfortunately, they both stink.

The first, *You Sleigh Me*, features two listenable songs out of 12. Collective Soul puts in an angstful (angst at Christmas?) but competent performance with "Blue Christmas." On the next track, Tori Amos does an amazing version of "Little Drummer Boy," adding emotion to a corny Christmas carol. If only she'd go door to door caroling.

Despite these two tracks, this horrid album as a whole ranks right between a New Kids on the Block reunion and the "Friends" soundtrack. The rest of the songs are as boring and uninspired as the last six Halloween movies. Jill Sobule tries to cash in her "one-hit



Tracy Chapman

wonder" status with "Merry Christmas from the Family," a ballad about a dysfunctional family Christmas. Now that's funny! Julianne Hatfield gives GW the gift of another pathetic performance, and Victoria Williams offers the musical equivalent of that pink and brown sweater your grandmother gives you every Christmas.

The other album, *Winter, Fire & Snow*, moves from the alternative sounds of *You Sleigh Me* to a more world music-oriented sound. Outstanding tracks include "Los Peces En El Rio," by the Gypsy Kings and a flamenco guitar solo by Ottmar Liebert entitled "Shepherd's Nite Watch." The rest of the tracks, including selections by tribe, Clannad and Ladysmith Black Mambazo, are worthless.

• For the blues and folk aficionados on your list, why not the new album from Tracy Chapman? Since the release of her self-titled first album and the overwhelming success of "Fast Car," she has been quietly writing some of the most meaningful and heartfelt songs in the last decade. With her new release, *New Beginning* (Elektra), the Cleveland singer-songwriter continues her amazing body of work with 11 new, moving ballads.

The album starts off with "Heaven's Here on Earth," an uplifting piece about human responsibility. "We are the spirit,

the collective consciousness," she sings. "We create the pain and the suffering in this world."

Much in the same vein, the album continues with plaintive works about worlds and loves falling apart. On "Cold Feet," the main character dies. On "Smoke and Ashes," Chapman writes of love dying. These beautiful songs, haunting and emotional, leave the listener feeling a part of this story. In this way, Chapman writes songs to which any listener can relate.

The album ends with the spiritual "I'm Ready." Chapman is ready ... ready for posterity with an instant classic in *New Beginning*.

• If you know a fan of kitsch, he or she will love Pizzicato Five. *The Sound of Music* (Matador) is the best album yet to come from the Tokyo-based group. They've been evolving since the late 1970s into the stylish, happy lounge duo it is today.

P5, for short, is made up of skinny fashion diva Maki Nomiya and band founder Yasuhiro Konishi.

The music is influenced by Henry Mancini, the Pharcyde, Yellow Magic Orchestra, Bootsy Collins, Juan Garcia Esquivel and '70s soul. Their image is influenced by the film *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, 1960s retro-futurism and Andy Warhol. And of course much of P5 comes straight from the zany, cute



Pizzicato Five



Black Crowes

and bold ideas of Nomiya and Konishi.

The album not only consists of 16 tracks of pure musical enjoyment, but also comes with a "Carte Pizzicato" silver credit card. The card contains information on how to join the P5 fan club and warns users, "Rubbing card on one's palm more than five times daily is not recommended."

• And finally, supporters of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) on your shopping list will enjoy music to support their cause on *HEMPILATION* (Capricorn).

In short, the album is dope in every sense of the word. Every music lover should check it out, regardless of opinion about pot. Just about every kind of music is represented, with the exception of country (maybe Willie Nelson was busy that week).

The Black Crowes kick off the album with Bob Dylan's classic "Rainy Day Women #12 and 35." Another jam band, Blues Traveler, follows that with a killer rendition of Sly and the Family Stone's legendary "I Want To Take You Higher."

Many of the 17 tracks are jam-enhanced covers (Widespread Panic does Van Morrison's "And It Stoned Me," Joe Cocker's "High Time We Went" gets a make-over

by The Screamin' Cheetah Wheelies, Drivin' N' Cryin' tips its hat to Robin Trower's "Too Rolling Stoned" and Gus lights up Neil Young's "Homegrown"), but a few bands offered their own tributes to THC. A live recording of Cypress Hill's "I Wanna Get High" puts in rap's two cents.

David Peel, the self-professed "marijuana minstrel," and the 360's perform Peel's 1968 anthem "I Like Marijuana." It's a rousing number with a slightly-altered but familiar refrain that you're sure to hear soon at parties. One of the best tracks is the Ian Moore Band's performance of Muddy Waters' "Champagne & Reefer," a laid-back, bluesy song in which the legend repeatedly sang "There shouldn't be a law if people want to smoke a little dope/It's good for your head, relax your body, don't you know?"

The tune ushers in the mellow section of the album, which includes Peter Tosh's "Legalize It" re-made by Sublime. The compilation immediately picks up in intensity, however. High Fidelity (formerly the Soup Dragons) sing about "Smokin' Cheeba Cheeba," a track that attempts to imitate the effects of a good high by alternating between low-key sequences and buzzing thrash-funk.

-Karen D. Ancillai, Matt Stumpf, Tara Tamaribuchi and Kynan Kelly



Widespread Panic



Sebastiano del Piombo's *A Reclining Apostle* (1516) is a part of the collection from Chatsworth in England.

Private collection of old masters' drawings makes rare visit to U.S.

BY TATIANA K. FIX
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Chatsworth, the residence of the Duke of Devonshire in northern England, houses the most exquisite private collection of the old masters' drawings.

In recognition of these great works, The National Gallery of Art is hosting an extraordinary exhibition containing selected pieces from Chatsworth.

The sensational "A Great Heritage: Renaissance and Baroque Drawings from Chatsworth" lures viewers into a metaphysical, unearthly and mystical world. It includes acclaimed drawings from Raphael, Leonardo da Vinci, Guercino, Domenico Beccafumi and other Italian Renaissance and Baroque masters.

The Chatsworth drawings were acquired over 100 years by various dukes. Some of the pieces are independent works of art, but most are

preparatory designs for frescoes, altarpieces, tapestries, silver and etchings.

The Chatsworth collection successfully illustrates all phases of European art, from the Baroque period to the Renaissance. The paintings depict the events, mood and character of the times, through both their artistic style and themes. Baccio Bandinelli's *Two Mourners*' classic vividness and intensity is typical of the Renaissance.

Male Nude, by Beccafumi, is also characteristic of the period. The artist concentrated mainly on the man's body, particularly the muscles, and consequently, the man's head is either non-existent or obscure. This close analysis of body, with a clear disinterest in the head, seemed to be a predominant style of 16th and 17th century art. It shows up again in Ghirlandaio's *A Woman*. The artist has paid great attention to the woman's body, carefully outlining her breasts, stomach

and arms. However, her head is almost unidentifiable.

Leonardo da Vinci's *Leda and The Swan* is another magnificent painting. Da Vinci has always been revered for his dazzling artistic talent. *Leda and The Swan* portrays his unparalleled ability. In this painting, the swan seems to be either kissing the woman or clipping away at her hair. The woman has a gratified and carefree look on her face. It is the ethereal quality of da Vinci's art that makes his work so special and memorable.

Da Vinci's *Youthful River God* creates a spiritual, whimsical atmosphere. His *Adam and Eve* is another celestial, supernatural piece, featuring the two embracing while Eve holds the apple.

Many Baroque and Renaissance drawings seem to be about religion or some omnipotent power. Others depict kings or soldiers. The drawings work together to narrate history, as displayed in Perinor Del

Vaga's *Roman Soldiers Bringing Spoils of War to Caesar* and Giovanni Francesco Penni's *The Emperor Constantine*.

What gives Renaissance and Baroque drawings their famed reputation is the skill and proficiency of the artists. *The Legend of Seven Kings Paying Homage to a Pope*, by Giuseppe Salviati, is a perfect example of this remarkable skill. In this painting, the Pope is elevated

while the people extol him. It delineates the important role that religion played at the time. The painting is so vivid and full of action that a book could be written on the scene it illustrates.

"A Great Heritage: Renaissance and Baroque Drawings from Chatsworth" continues at the National Gallery of Art through Dec. 31. For more information, call (202) 737-4215.

Do This!

GW'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

"Do This!" (formerly "Campus Highlights") is the GW community's weekly calendar.

We ENCOURAGE everyone in the University community to give us information on your events so that we can publish them in this weekly calendar.

"Do This!" is published in Monday editions of the GW Hatchet.

175th Anniversary Events

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4
National Cholesterol Education Program: 10th Anniversary Science Symposium, Masur Auditorium, Building 10, National Institutes of Health, 1-4pm.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5
Colonnade Gallery opening reception, student ceramics show.

AT&T International Communication Forum, Historical Overview GII/US National II, Hillel Center, 7pm.

Women in the Workplace, Student Q&A session 2:30-3:30pm, public lecture 4:40, reception, 5:30-6:30pm.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8
George Washington Invitational Women's Basketball Tournament, through December 9

The Christmas Revels, Lisner Auditorium, through December 10.



175TH ANNIVERSARY 1821-1996

December 4-10

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

Study Abroad general information session, Stuart Hall B03-H, 11am. Info, 994-1649.
Bible Study, Board of Chaplains Office, 2131 G St., 8pm. Info, Erin, 994-9627.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

Muslim Student Association sisters' meeting, Marvin Center 4th floor, 3-5pm. Info, sultana@gwis2.
Cooperative education orientation, Career Center, Academic Center T-509, 5-6pm. Info, 994-6495.

Student debate: Should the US deploy ground troops to support the Bosnian peace plan, Funger 108, 8pm. Info, 994-7389.

Homecoming planning meeting, Marvin Center 5B (formerly George's), 8:30pm. Info, 994-7313.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Aid to the Middle East: Problems and Prospects, Marvin Center 403, 9:30am-5pm. Info, 994-8852.

Financial aid workshop for international students, Marvin Center 415, 10am-12pm. Register in the ISO office by December 5.

Study Abroad general information session, Stuart Hall B03-H, 3pm. Info, 994-1649.

MSA Sisters' Meeting, Marvin Center 415, 3-4pm & 4-5pm. Info, Sultana, (703) 556-0934.

GW Academic Success Series: score higher on tests II, University Counseling Center, 718 21st St., 4:10-5:30pm. Info, 994-6550.

Effective interviewing workshop, Career Center, Academic Center T-509, 4:30-6pm. Info, 994-6495.

Golden Key elections and party, Marvin Center 406, 5:30pm. Bring a small gift for a grab bag. Info, Nancy Yim, 496-2222.

International week planning meeting, Marvin Center 429, 6pm. Info, 994-7313.

Class Committee of 1996 meeting, Marvin Center 404, 8pm. Info, Erika, 994-4837.

Program Board holiday party, Marvin Center 429, 8:30pm. Info, 994-7313.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

Summer option workshop, Career Center, Academic Center T-509, 2:30-4pm. Info, 994-6495.

Job search strategies workshop, Career Center, Academic Center T-509, 5-6:30pm. Info, 994-6495.

International Students' Society Cafe Internationale, Building G, 2129 G St., 5-8pm. Info, Danpats, 994-6864.

College Democrats general meeting, Marvin Center Colonial Commons, 7:30pm. Info, 994-4888.

MBAA happy hour, Crow Bar, 9pm. Info, 994-8177 or mbaa@gwis2.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Lisner Auditorium, 12:15pm, Newman Center, 6pm. Info, Father Jim Greenfield, 51-6855.

Black MBAA general meeting, Location TBA, 6-7:30pm. Info, 994-8177 or mbaa@gwis2.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Wado Ryu Karate, Marvin Center 501, 1:30-2:30pm, \$3, free to visitors. Info, 298-6531.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Catholic Mass, Newman Center, 2210 F St. NW, 11am, 6pm, 10pm. Info, Father Jim Greenfield, 51-6885.

Earthwell meeting, Marvin Center, 6pm. Info, 625-1918.

Students for Environmental Action meeting, Marvin Center 419, 7pm. Info, 625-1918.

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GW unified food drive, through the end of the semester, boxes around campus and in the MC Store. Info, 994-6566.

MSA info table, every Monday and Thursday, Marvin Center Ground Floor, 11am-5pm. Info, Sultana, 703-556-0934.

MSA prayers, Marvin Center 501, 5 times daily. Info, Sultana, 703-556-0934.

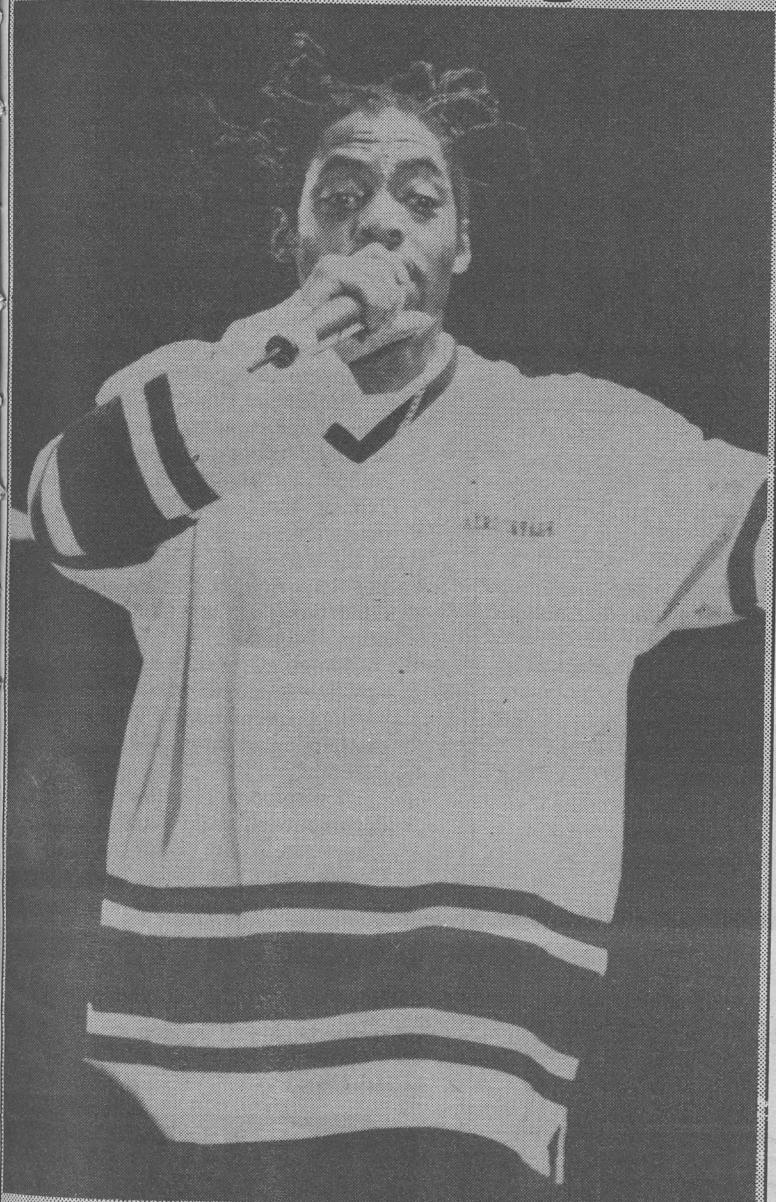
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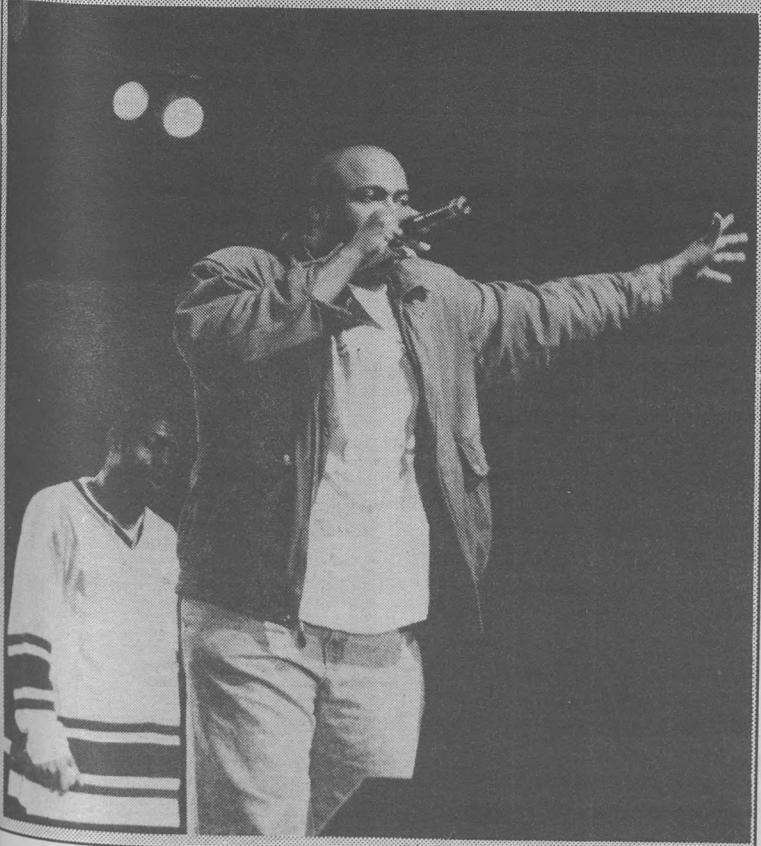
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SPOTLIGHT

Rapping with Coolio on Saturday night



Coolio (above) wows the intimate gathering of students in the Smith Center Saturday evening. The rap artist gets a little help on the mic (below) from MC B Bo of Landover, Md., a member of the audience who volunteered to freestyle with Coolio.



photos by Claire Duggan

Freshman breaks age barrier

BY MEREDITH GROSSMAN
HATCHET REPORTER

At first glance, Jay Jagannathan does not appear to be different from other GW freshmen. But Jagannathan is unique. Until two weeks ago, he was one of the youngest GW freshmen. His 17th birthday was Nov. 19.

"It's not like it's written on your face," said Jagannathan, who lives at home with his family in Potomac, Md. "It's not like I'm six or something like that."

But being younger than his peers has not always been so easy for Jagannathan.

"When I entered high school, I was 12," he said. "It wasn't bad, but you're, like, different than everyone else. But once you make friends, you're normal."

Jagannathan's family moved to the United States from India before he entered third grade. He said his grades had always been above average and after taking placement tests, he was put in fifth grade classes. His parents had hesitations about him skipping two grades, however.

"I kind of remember wanting to (skip ahead)," he said. "Obviously, if you're taking second grade classes and you know what they're teaching, it's not that much fun."

College, however, definitely has not been what he expected. "My high school had 1200 people. That's the size of the freshman class here. You expect some things to be differ-

ent, but you don't understand the magnitude of it until you come here."

Jagannathan said it's "weird" to be around so many "older people" — upperclassmen and graduate stu-

"I've grown up on this other level. If you put me in with a bunch of high school juniors now, I'd probably be more out of place than I would be with college freshmen."

Jay Jagannathan

dents. But he was even more surprised to find his chemistry lab partner is in his 40s.

After spending two summers doing research at the National Institute of Health, Jagannathan decided to major in biomedical engineering, an integrated engineering and medical program in the School of Engineering and Applied Science that allows him to combine a background in electrical engineering with medical school preparation.

Jagannathan was one of 10 students in Maryland to be selected in his junior year of high school to do research at NIH, where he studied liver toxicity and kidney dialysis, among other things. He was especially intrigued by the NIH's model of an artificial eye that is capable of delivering sensory impulses.

Socially, Jagannathan said he does not feel like he is missing out on anything by living off campus. He occasionally comes to campus on the weekends for activities, although he said sometimes the 20-minute drive makes it seem as if he's far away.

Since he relies more on the Metro than his own car, he said it is difficult to stay on campus past 9 or 10 p.m. "My parents wanted me to stay (at home) because I'm young," he said. "They thought I'd be kind of immature to live on campus. They just wanted me to stay at home until I'm a little bit older."

Jagannathan said his parents also thought he would encounter a lot of social pressure in college, especially pressure to drink alcohol. In addition, Jagannathan has a 3-year-old brother, and his parents thought it would be "easier for me to bond (with him) if I stayed home for a few years."

Since he has been in situations where he is younger than his peers for almost 10 years, each adjustment is easier than the last.

"I've grown up on this other level," he said. "If you put me in with a bunch of high school juniors now, I'd probably be more out of place than I would be with college freshmen."

Luckily, Jagannathan does not feel out of place at GW at all. "I've never really had that much trouble (adjusting) academically or socially. I guess that kind of worked out for the best."

Go home for the holidays or escape to a tropical place

BY SARA SIGELMAN
HATCHET REPORTER

Does the idea of a white Christmas send chills up your spine? Perhaps quality time with the family is not your image of a relaxing vacation?

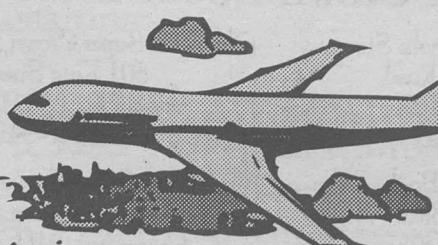
With winter break only weeks away, time is running out to get great airfares to exotic locations around the world, but two companies are offering deals for the perfect way to escape the holiday blues.

Travel Bargains, one of America's premier travel discounters, offers savings of up to 40 percent off published airfares. David Connelly of Travel Bargains said the company has recently expanded its service to include great deals on rental cars, cruises and vacation packages.

Los Angeles, Rodeo Drive and the glamour of Hollywood can be as affordable as \$320 round-trip. Dining on Parisian cuisine with the Eiffel Tower only minutes away is possible for \$405. If London sounds better, round-trip prices there are \$410.

"It doesn't take a dean's list honoree to realize the rejuvenating effects of a two-week sojourn sipping cafe au lait on the Right Bank," Connelly said.

Another highlight of Travel Bargains is the "Student Saver" program, which Connelly said



allows for the affordable purchase of hard-to-get one-way tickets home.

STA Travel also offers great student rates for the holiday season. Tim Cunningham of STA Travel urges students to act soon because of declining availability.

Paris can be a reality for \$344 and London for just \$427. The special rates to Paris take effect Jan. 8, 1996 and end March 31, 1996.

Cunningham said the availability of flights increases after the new year, so this is a great way for students to end their winter break.

On the domestic scene, Cunningham said rates to Boston out of Dulles Airport are now at the base price of \$106, but availability is limited.

Flights to Fort Lauderdale or Orlando are easier to secure the earlier they are purchased and the later in winter break students travel. Los Angeles and San Francisco come with the price tag of \$350 round-trip, Cunningham said.

Restrictions do apply. Travel must be between Tuesday and Thursday, but with all the free time and no homework to worry about, this shouldn't be a problem.

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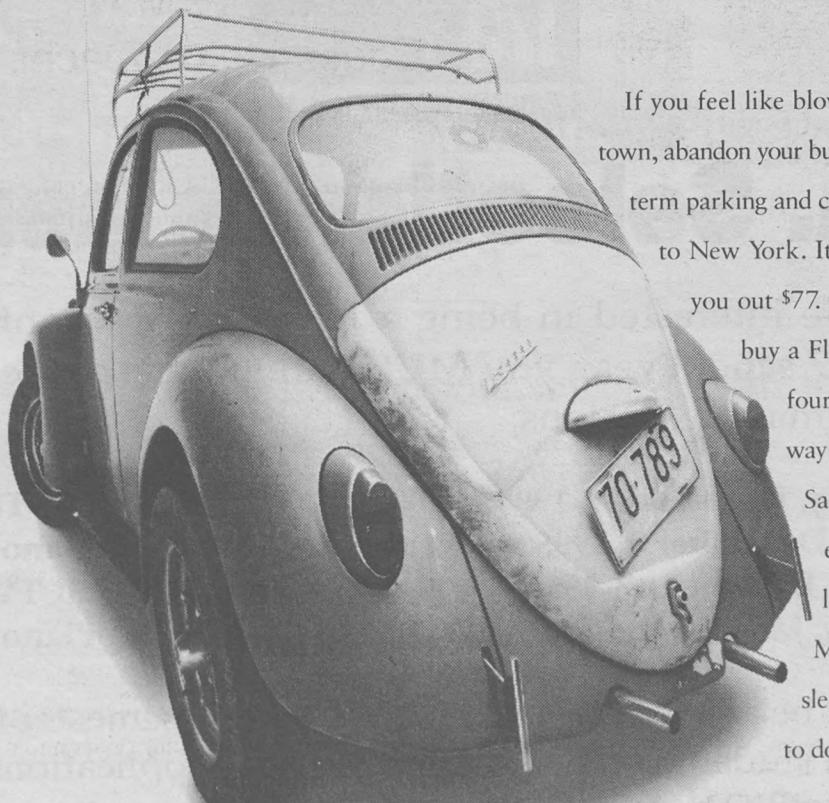


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E-mail sparks debate, anger

(CPS) - A list of the "Top 75 reasons why women (bitches) should not have freedom of speech," written by four Cornell freshmen, has spread over the Internet and is raising controversy at college campuses across the nation.

The e-mail has been multiplying exponentially as its anti-women jokes travel from Cornell to Harvard to Bryn Mawr to Boston College to the University of California at Santa Cruz to Brown University.

The reasons listed run from lightly offending sexism - "17: Highway fatalities would decrease by over 90 percent" - to violent and misogynist - "39: If she can't speak, she can't cry rape" - to homophobic.

The four Cornell freshmen who

wrote the list "mailed it to a certain number of friends, privately, who mailed it to other friends, who mailed it to other friends," said Jacqueline Powers, a member of the Cornell administration. But the list escaped this group of readers.

The writers, who coined themselves the "four-players of CORNELL: Evan Camps, Brian Waldman, Rikus Linschoten and the late-season acquisition, the Deion Sanders of sexism, Pat Sicher," are learning the power of e-mail, as storms of angry replies from recipients of the letter have barraged their e-mail accounts and homes. According to the Boston Globe, the students have received everything from death threats to lists like "75 Reasons Why You Are

Stupid."

The four have publicly apologized in the Cornell Daily Sun and will perform community service to atone for their actions, but some women, particularly at Cornell, aren't satisfied.

"We think women have an equal place in society, and (this list shows) that just isn't true," said Jessica Fehringer, a Cornell senior affiliated with Cornell's Women's Resource Center. "This list just goes to show that misogyny is still there, it's just more hidden."

The irony of the "Top 75 reasons why women (bitches) shouldn't have freedom of speech" is that it raises serious questions about freedom of speech, censorship and their relationship to the Internet and e-mail.

"What they did is pretty dumb and tasteless, and pretty offensive to some people, but it is still protected speech," said Brown American Civil Liberties Union President Matt Holzer.

Although the Supreme Court has yet to take up the issue, as the technology is outpacing the law at this point, lower court rulings in most cases have found e-mail to be comparable to written letters. Holzer said that had the Cornell students sent this to single individuals, with the intent to threaten and intimidate them, then it would be an issue not covered by the First Amendment.

"This isn't true sexual harassment in the legal definition," Fehringer said. "Charging them would be trivializing the issue of harassment. The horrible thing is that these men thought it was funny, and so many other people do, too."

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College women are frequent victims, but don't report it

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assaults most often go unreported. He said FBI statistics show people who fall within the 18- to 22-year-old age range are most likely to be victims of such crimes - and the least likely to report them.

The first step to preventing violent acts against women on college campuses is recognizing that the problem exists. Both administrators and students agree that GW has taken steps in that direction.

"I really feel like the University is saying that sexual assault is a problem that should be prevented," Bacich said. She noted that the sexual assault peer advisers provide several services for students.

"It's a great improvement," she added. "It shows that the University is attempting to do something" about the problem of violence on college campuses.

Many parents of prospective students worry about GW's campus because it is in the middle of a major city. They believe their children are more likely to be victims of violent attacks. However, some believe students are more likely to be cautious here than on a secluded campus.

In addition, more resources are available for students who have been attacked, such as the D.C. Rape

Crisis Center.

Dr. Isabel Kuperschmit, the director of student health at GW, said she sees female students who have been attacked or raped "very infrequently." Only about three to four of the 20,000 visits made by students each year are abuse-related, she estimated.

"The only problem we see occasionally is unconscious sex," Kuperschmit said.

When this is the case, the student is given a test for sexually transmitted diseases and is referred to the counseling center for rape-crisis counseling.

"Unfortunately, they are usually related to drug or alcohol use," she said.

She added that student health does not have an accurate idea of the actual number of attacks against women at GW, since many students may be afraid to go to the University and instead seek private doctors, or no medical help at all.

If a doctor at student health suspects a patient has been abused, he or she will ask the student about it first, then report the case to the public health department.

But Kuperschmit said that in 18 years at GW, she has seen only one patient who had been physically abused.

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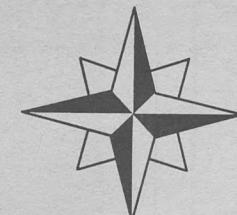
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Syringe pens no longer sold by campus bookstore

AKRON, Ohio — Novelty pens shaped like medical syringes were hot sellers at the University of Akron campus bookstore.

But the pens were voluntarily removed from the shelves after the university's safety director discovered local police became concerned about how young children may perceive the pens.

According to B&N Bookstore Manager Stan Lohman, the Akron police department first learned of the syringe pens — which are filled with red ink — while visiting an elementary classroom.

At a drug prevention session, an officer told a group of kids not to touch any syringes they may find.

"And one of the kids said, 'You mean like this?' and held up a pen,"

Lohman said.

While he had not received any complaints from customers about selling the pens, he said he thought, as a parent, taking the pens off the shelves was the best action after talking to the university safety director.

"It didn't even enter my stream of thought how these pens might be perceived by children," said Lohman, who added the pens were popular among nursing students. "We're in the college market, and we only deal with adults."

Hoop Dreams director establishes minority film scholarship

CARBONDALE, Ill. — The director of *Hoop Dreams* is spearheading a fund-raising drive to help minorities who dream of following in his footsteps.

Steve James, who also co-produced the acclaimed documentary, has given \$5,000 to his alma mater, Southern Illinois University, to establish The Minority Filmmakers Award Fund.

The money is part of a prize package he received this spring when he was named MTV's Best New Filmmaker of the Year for *Hoop Dreams*. The Oscar-nominated film chronicles two black teens' quest for basketball fame.

James said he hopes to bring in at least \$100,000 for the fund, allowing the department to award two \$2,000 production grants each year.

"There is a paucity of minority voices in the film industry," James said. "One of the ways to start to correct that is by making it easier for minority students to choose film majors because they know they'll

have some financial help."

Celebrities, sports stars, minority business owners, private foundations and others will be asked to contribute to the fund, said Gary P. Kolb, head of SIU's cinema and photography department.

Business class requirement includes helping the needy

PITTSBURGH — Before some Duquesne University business students enter the boardroom, they are asked to spend time in a soup kitchen.

Business students enrolled in the business ethics/communication course are required to volunteer at local shelters and soup kitchens.

Dr. Jim Weber, the course's instructor and director of the Duquesne University Beard Center for leadership in ethics, said he

believes volunteering is essential to the corporate world, so he requires his students to do community work that will expose them to ethical concepts and decision-making.

"Companies are becoming more recognized for socially responsible actions, and I would like to think the (volunteering) experience is not only good for the student, but makes them a better job applicant and a better employee," Weber said.

Students enrolled in the class are currently volunteering 15 hours a semester in the Pittsburgh community.

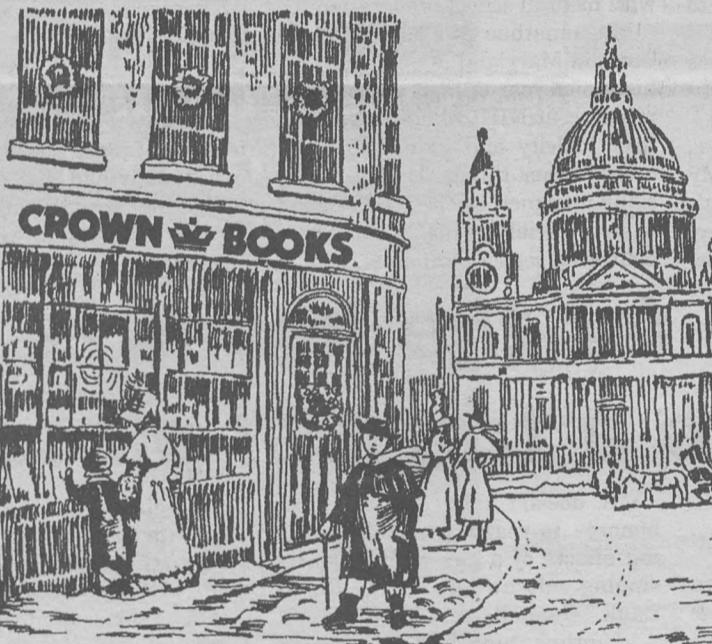
Speech students publish textbook for storytelling

FALL RIVER, Mass. — They say everybody has a story to tell, so a group of Bristol Community College students have published a textbook on how to do the telling.

Professor Candy Center and nine of her students have published a public speaking textbook called *Public Speaking Through Story Telling*. The book is filled with students' stories or speeches, and many of them are from the students' own life experiences. Interested students donated their time to the creation of the book.

Ranging from 21 to 48 years of age, the students who collaborated on the book included a witch, single mothers, married people and grandparents.

"I wanted to give the students a document we could work with that was more them than me," said Center. "Not one voice, but many." *Public Speaking Through Story Telling* is scheduled to be marketed to community colleges nationally and is published by Kendall/Hunt Publishing. Proceeds from the sale of the book will go to a scholarship fund to buy textbooks for minority students.



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Gallery to exhibit patriotic paintings

The Dimock Gallery in Lisner Auditorium will sponsor an exhibit on patriotism and Victorianism, featuring the paintings of Henry Bacon, starting Dec. 14.

Bacon's "The Boston Boys and General Gage" has been restored and will be the cornerstone of the exhibit exploring the nation's struggle for independence. The painting, part of the University's permanent collection, is being shown in honor of the school's 175th anniversary.

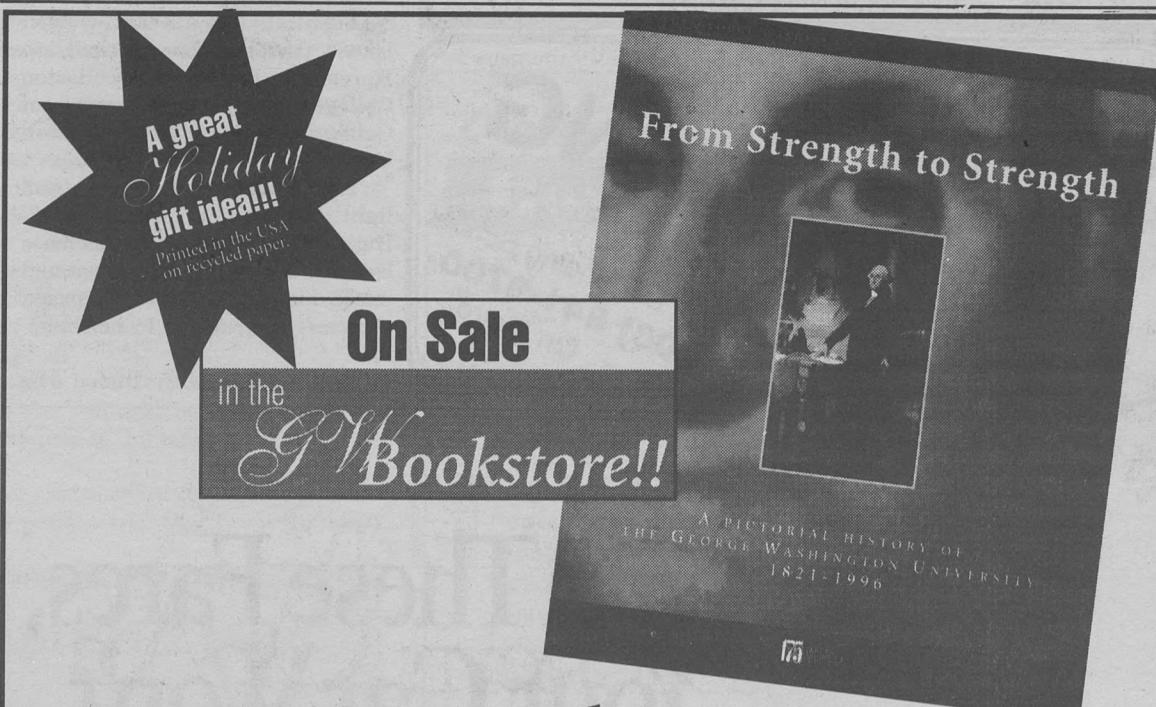
Twenty of Bacon's other works, including two paint-

ings on loan from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, will also be displayed.

A lecture series, free and open to the public, will accompany the exhibit. Painting conservator Alexandra Tice, art professor Alan Wallach and Thomas A. Denenberg, a doctoral candidate in American and New England studies, will be among those giving lectures.

A Victorian Valentine Tea will be held Feb. 14 in conjunction with the exhibit.

-Anne Miller



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Author offers tips for saving bucks on books

Fed up with paying hundreds of dollars for textbooks every semester? Jack Banks has a few tips for you.

Banks is the author of a new book, *Textbook Tips: Money-Saving Strategies for Students*, which offers suggestions on how to cut almost 75 percent out of book costs.

Banks offers students suggestions on advertising used books on campus and on the Internet. He also gives an inside look at what determines book prices and how publishing companies influence professors' choices for ordering books.

"Students feel that they're being ripped off, but they really don't understand what they can do about it," Banks said in a recent press release. "Textbook Tips shows them how to take action politically, and as consumers to force changes to a system that exploits students."

Students interested in the book, however, won't find it at any D.C. college bookstores. Students have to order the book directly from Catalyst Press, which is on the Internet at catalyst@interlog.com.

-Kevin Eckstrom

Feldman says LGBA never questioned him

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from Judicial Affairs for a hearing. He said he was furious that no one had contacted him before filing a formal charge.

The withdrawal, Feldman

claimed, was made as a reimbursement for money he spent on LGBA expenses from his own pocket during his administration. However, he said he does not have receipts because he threw them out during a move off campus last summer.

"It seems to me they're making a mountain out of a molehill," Feldman said. "The advisor never spoke to me (prior to the charge) - I don't know why."

Sherrill, the LGBA advisor since 1991, said, "Scott is the only executive chair I have not met." He explained that group members must take the initiative to contact him, because he serves as advisor at their request and not at the University's.

"Every other executive chair has kept weekly meetings with me," Sherrill said.

Sherrill also said that as someone who knows the history of the group, he "finds it difficult to believe that this is coming out of nowhere."

Although the group will now be subjected to an audit, Peterson said all expenses are approved by two or more people, and the LGBA's books are "now in impeccable order."

"Scott's administration did not keep a ledger or a book," Kurtz said, adding that this made it difficult for her to assess the group's financial situation when she took over as chair.

Peel hopes to show positive GOP image

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tion. He will oversee about 250 convention pages, who are responsible for running errands for delegates and assisting on the convention floor.

In addition to a "Rock the Vote" concert and voter registration drives, Peel will be coordinating the first-ever "cyberspace convention," where young Republicans in San Diego will be talking with other Republicans across the country about politics. Peel also plans a separate youth convention for 15,000 young people from all over the country on the convention floor in San Diego.

"The reason why I have this opportunity is because I was able to get the internship while I was at GW, and the school just lends itself to students getting involved in government," Peel said. "I guess it's sort of a success story."

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Colonials play like classic klutzes at USAir

Evans pointless in consolation against Maryland

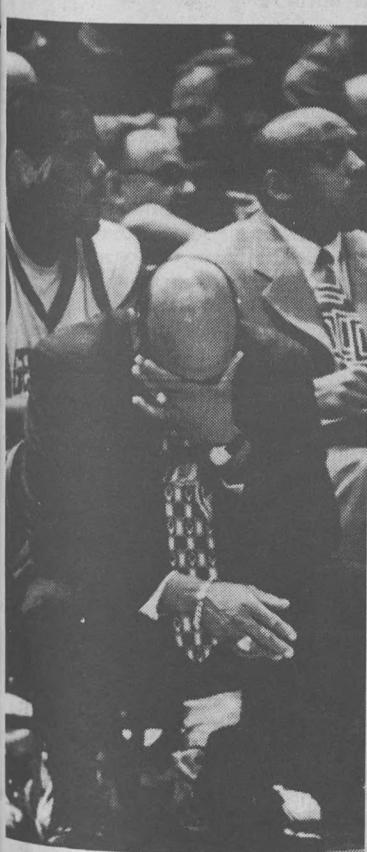
BY JIM GERAGHTY
SPORTS EDITOR

The Franklin National Bank Classic featured the GW men's basketball team in the spotlight at a big arena, before a big TV audience against two big-time opponents.

They were a big disappointment. The Colonials turned into the punching bags of the charity tournament, first against the University of Florida and then against the

University of Maryland. GW limped out of USAir Arena Sunday with two losses.

"The only way you learn is by playing against people who are of equal or better quality," GW head coach Mike Jarvis said after the Maryland game. "That's why we're here. These games will help us tremendously, believe me, because we're not going to self-destruct, we're not going to go crazy. These are learning experiences."



(Top) Freshman J.J. Brade's acrobatic play was one of the bright spots for GW in the Franklin National Bank Classic. Head coach Mike Jarvis (left) can't bear to watch the Colonials' effort against Florida. With a strenuous effort, Alexander Koul (right) led GW with 22 points against Maryland.

Maryland 98, GW 81

The game between GW and the Maryland Terrapins was promoted as the war between two local powers, and the first 10 minutes of the first half lived up to the hype. The Terrapins began the game by attacking the Colonials with full-court, pressure defense and trying to force GW into a fast-paced shootout.

GW responded with aggressive defense and feeds to the Colonials' Belarussian inside forces, center Alexander Koul and forward Yegor Mescheriakov. The battles were especially tough in the trenches, as Maryland's Mario Lucas and Rodney Elliot combined for 11 rebounds and a block in the first half.

An Obinna Ekezie shot from underneath the basket ignited a 15-5 run for the Terrapins, and they began to pull away toward the end of the first half. The last shot of the half was indicative of things to come for GW. Vaughn Jones was taking the ball upcourt for a last-second Colonials' score, but the ball was stolen by Maryland's Terrell Stokes. He made the easy layup to end the half.

Maryland ran roughshod all over GW at the start of the second half, going on a 13-4 run to put the Colonials out of it for good and turning the remaining 16 minutes into a formality.

"Anyone who watched this basketball game will tell you the reason we lost was our lack of offensive rebounding," Jarvis said. The Colonials were not only beaten on the boards, but the Terrapins also dominated long-range shots as well. Maryland was 7-17 from three-point range, while GW was only two for 12.

Senior guard Kwame Evans was completely silenced by the Terrapin defense, eliminating almost all of GW's outside threat. Evans, the

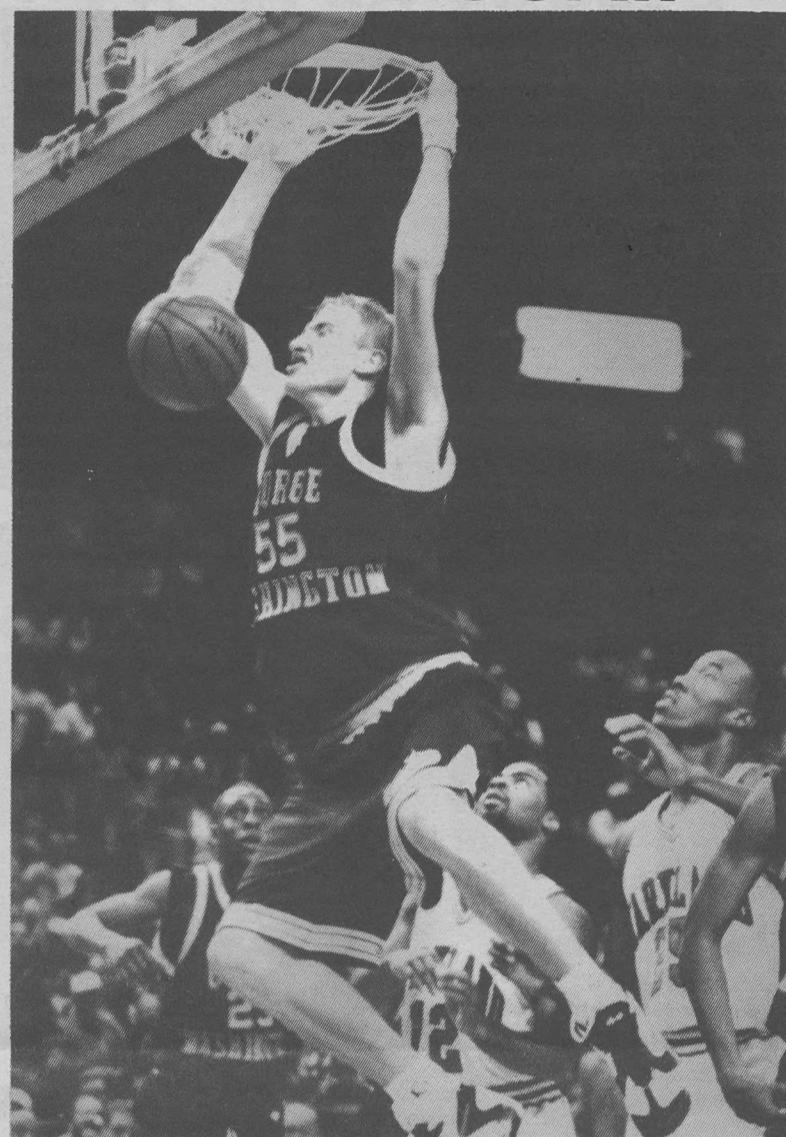


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Yegor Mescheriakov slams down two GW points against Maryland. The Colonials could have used another 18.

Colonial's leading scorer this year, did not score at all. The senior leaders, Jones and Evans, combined to shoot two for 20 from the field.

"With Kwame, I think that early in the game, he made a mistake. And the mistake was he was looking for jump shots as opposed to scoring opportunities," Jarvis said. "The game is such a psychological game, sometimes you psyche yourself out. I think Kwame probably took himself out of the game. I think when he comes back next weekend, I think that this game is going to be one of those things that help make him a much better player."

The game did have some highlights for GW. Koul was able to stay out of foul trouble and led the team with 22 points and 11 rebounds. Freshman guard J.J. Brade added 19 points.

"I wasn't necessarily trying to score. I was just trying to do things to help the team. Tonight it was scoring, another night it might be defense. I was just trying to give the team a lift, because it seemed like someone had to take charge," Brade said.

Florida 75, GW 66

After GW steamrolled through the Red Auerbach Colonial Classic last weekend, the Florida Gators were supposed to represent the first real challenge of the season for the Colonials.

Although they didn't flop, the Colonials did struggle against the Southeast Conference power in their big-time debut.

Foul trouble continued to befud-

le Koul and several other Colonials. Koul received two fouls early, and foul trouble also impacted Evans, Jones and Brade. And when it was Florida committing the fouls, GW could not maximize the opportunities at the free throw line, hitting only nine of 17.

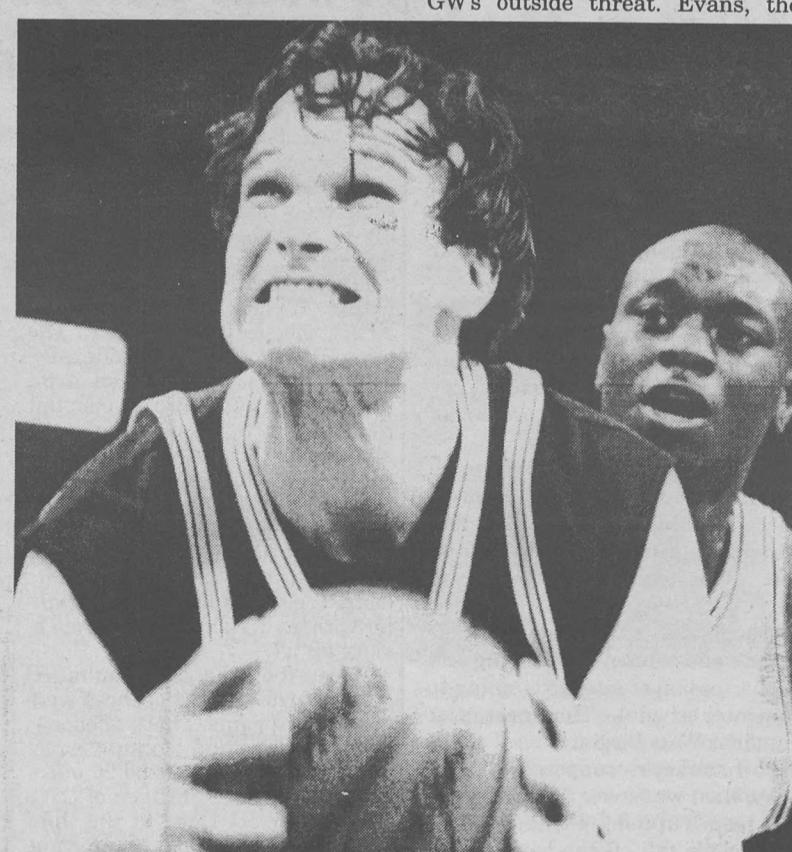
Throughout much of the first half, the Gators hit everything. Three-pointers rained out of the sky, while the Colonials muddled through a menagerie of missed passes, missed shots and lack of offensive rebounding. GW trailed 41-28 at the half.

When the team returned from the locker room, the situation barely improved. The Colonial offense continued to play flat and sloppy, while Florida hit virtually every shot it threw up. The Gators were 9-18 from three-point range, while GW was just 3-14. When the sluggish offense finally did kick-start itself, Jarvis slowed the momentum by picking up a technical foul.

However, shortly afterward, quick strikes by Jones and a quick steal and fast break by Brade sparked a Colonial comeback on a 10-0 run.

With 4:26 left, GW crept to within three points. A Jones inside layup brought the Colonials to 66-63. But Brade fouled out and Florida's success at the foul line hampered the GW effort, and a late rally fell apart.

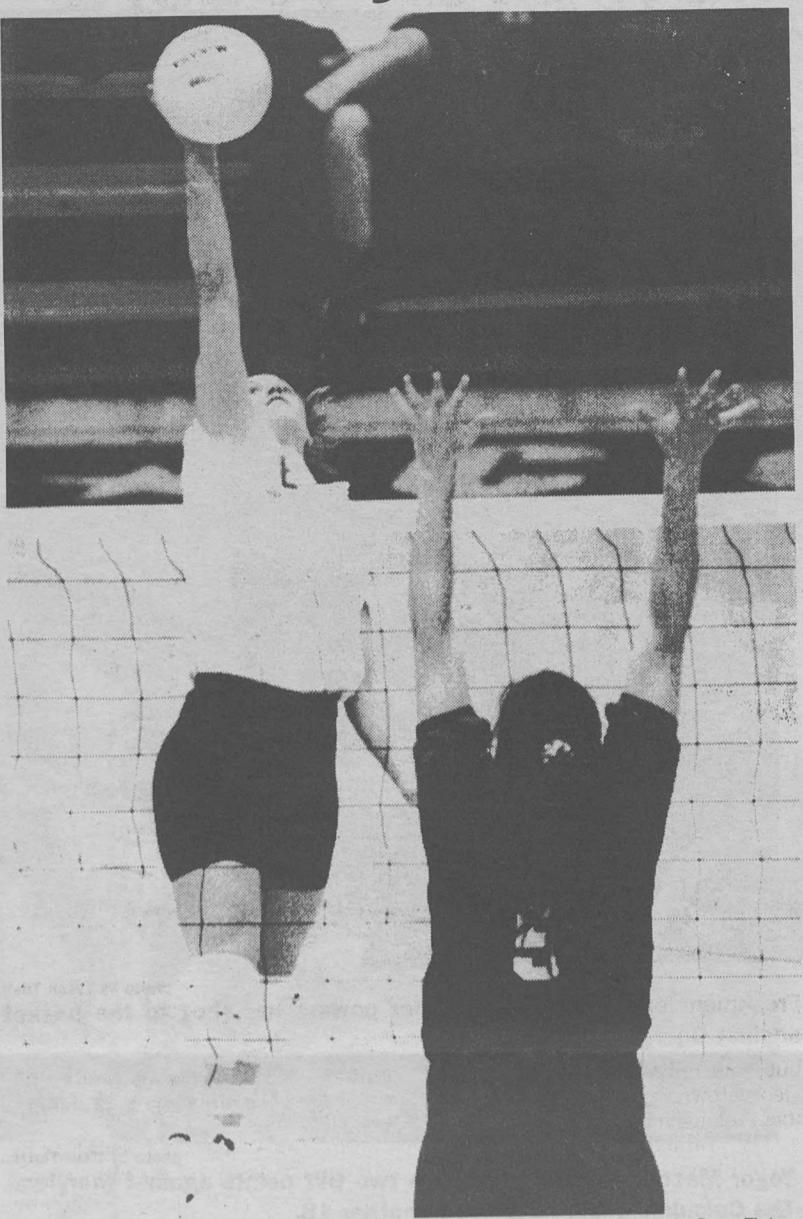
GW's record now stands at 2-2. Tuesday night, the Colonials will travel to Harrisonburg, Va., to take on "Lefty" Driesell and the James Madison University Dukes for the annual battle of the Presidents.



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SPORTS

GW volleyball ends run in NCAA Tournament



Jill Lammert concluded a stellar career at GW in the Colonial Women's trip to the NCAA Tournament.

photo by Dave Fintzen

Colonial Women's successful season comes to a close

BY ADAM WILLIS
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

AUSTIN, Texas — An amazing ride for the Colonial Women's volleyball team finally came to an end Saturday night as the fifth-ranked University of Texas defeated GW 15-6, 15-1, 15-6, in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Longhorns jumped ahead early and refused to let the Colonial Women climb back into the match. After the teams had battled to a 4-4 tie in the first game, Texas rattled off six straight points to lead 10-4 and effectively end the game.

Game two was a mirror image of what GW did to opponents all season, but this time the Colonial Women were at the mercy of their opponent for most of the game. Texas pounded its way to a 14-0 lead before GW finally got on the scoreboard. Two points later, however, the game was over.

Although they never led, the third game was the most promising for the Colonial Women. When most teams would have been demoralized, GW kept fighting back.

A 3-1 Texas lead became 3-3. After Texas opened an 8-4 lead, GW cut it to 8-6. From there on, however, the Longhorns were in control, scoring seven straight. The Colonial Women did hold off the first match point on Anna Krimmel's kill, but they were just delaying the inevitable. Texas finally scored match point on a GW return error.

Head coach Susie Homan said much of Texas' success was a result of its serving. "They served short incredibly well," she said. The Longhorns' front row also performed amazingly well, tallying 13 blocks and hitting .366 as a team.

The loss marked the third straight year the Colonial Women advanced to the second round only to have their season ended by a top five team when they got there. In 1993, GW fell in three sets to the Long Beach State 49ers, ranked third at the time. The top-ranked Nebraska Cornhuskers turned the Colonial Women away last season, also in straight games.

The Longhorns were ranked fifth in the country before Saturday's match. Senior Svetlana Vtyurina saw this year's draw as GW's first real chance to advance beyond the second round, but it was not to be.

Although Homan said her team was not affected by the crowd, an arena packed with 1,812 Longhorn backers already excited by their football team's victory over Texas A&M earlier in the day certainly aided Texas. Their screaming of "Point, Texas!" after each of the Longhorns' 45 points didn't hurt the home team, either.

Individually for the Colonial Women, Vtyurina led the way with a match-high 12 kills. She was joined by Jill Lammert, Brenda Páz Soldan and Khuong Ta in ending her collegiate career Saturday night.

The NCAA's career kills leader finished her four years with 3,033 kills. She also led all players with 14 digs on the evening. Lammert's final match saw her end a pair of kills as well as seven digs.

Freshman Megan Korver concluded a great debut season with six kills and junior Kate Haubenreich contributed 23 assists. Ta finished her career with a solid performance, notching six digs, one ace and one assist, while Páz Soldan played in all three games and recorded a dig.

Giving Lammert and Vtyurina time to think of how to express their feelings about their final collegiate match at the post-match press conference, Homan quoted a sign on the wall of the Massachusetts locker room the Colonial Women used while competing in the Atlantic 10 tournament. It read, "Tough times don't last, tough people do."

"And I think they're tough people," she said.

Echoing her coach's positive spin on things, Lammert said she was proud to have been with the Colonial Women during their rise to prominence in the A-10, as well as their first berths in the NCAA Tournament. "I'm proud to have been a leader on this team," she said. "We won three A-10 titles, competed in three NCAA Tournaments ... There's a lot to be proud of."

Although disappointed with the match's result, Vtyurina was happy with her team's performance this season. "Top 32 stands for itself," she said. And although she was saddened by the team's third consecutive second-round exit, Vtyurina said, "I'd rather be here right now than watching (the tournament) at home on TV."

The Colonial Women finished the season with a 30-6 record. The seniors leave the team with a four-year record of 118-28.

Swimming, diving teams win big

Men's and women's Colonials dominate Potomac Classic

BY DAVE MANN
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Swimming and diving teams from seven schools gathered at Georgetown University last weekend for the 1995 Potomac Collegiate Classic. GW topped them all.

The Colonials handled American, Howard, Old Dominion, Shippensburg and Georgetown universities and the University of Richmond. Old Dominion finished second.

For the women's team, junior Bambi Bowman and sophomore Connie Shelton each finished first in four individual events. The All-American Bowman stormed to victories in the 200-, 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle races, as well as the 1,650-yard freestyle with a time of 16:56.71.

Shelton took first in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events and the 200- and 400-yard individual medleys with times of 2:10.60 and 4:36.49, respectively.

Sophomore Stephanie Ballou took first in the 200-yard butterfly, breaking her own meet record of last year with a time of 2:05.90, while freshman Kristen Janeczek broke the meet record in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:10.53 in taking first.

On the men's side, Glendon Flint was unstoppable. Flint took first place in four individual races, including an exciting 100-yard breaststroke race, as he got to the wall just ahead of Corey Pelow of Shippensburg and Robby Griffen of American with a time of 59.72

seconds. Flint also finished first in the 200-yard breaststroke and the 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle events.

Flint was also part of GW's victory in the 800-yard freestyle relay. Swimming the final leg, Flint stormed from behind to get the win for his team in 7:00.76 in an exciting race in which the lead changed hands four times.

Senior Armando Serrano also had a good showing, winning three individual events including the 200-yard butterfly and the 200-yard individual medley. He set a school record in the 400-yard individual medley with a time of 3:59.8, breaking the old record by an amazing three seconds.

"I'm pleased. There were some decent teams up there and we had a fair amount of people do pretty well," said head coach Marc Hagen. "Glendon Flint and Connie Shelton each did a great job by winning four races. Armando Serrano also did very well."

After breezing through the early part of their schedules, both the men's and women's swimming and diving teams will start a session of intense training to gear up for the tough winter schedule. Their next meet is not until Jan. 14 against West Virginia.

"If everybody does what they're supposed to do in December and January, then we have a shot at the A-10," said Hagen of his team's upcoming training period. "But if one or two people fall off the bandwagon, then we're going to have problems. It has to be everybody."

Commentary

A little perspective, live and direct from Austin...

AUSTIN, Texas — Let me tell you just how good those Texas Longhorns are. From the final tally of 13 blocks doesn't reflect how much trouble Longhorn blockers gave to GW hitters. The Colonial Women hit .030. This is comparable to a batting average, except a hitting error cancels out a kill, and an attempt that is dug by the opposition works like an out. 29 kills, 26 errors, 99 attempts. Most of the errors can be blamed on Texas' ability to make the prospective Colonial killer think a bit too long, adjust a bit too much and miss a line by a foot or two. When Texas had the chance to set, it was bump, set, get the hell out of the way.

Don't fret, Colonial faithful. Your team did you proud. There's one last piece of evidence of the disparity between these two teams. The Colonial Women this season won an impressive third consecutive Atlantic 10 championship. Texas has won a few Southwest Conference titles in a row as well. They won it this season, last season and every year from 1981-1992 as well. There may have been more, but they ran out of space to hang the banners.

-Adam Willis

SPORTS

GW women win Harvard tourney, even record

Championship lessons lessen pain of blowout loss at Georgetown

BY BEN OSBORNE
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The GW women's basketball team faced a daunting task Friday morning. Wake up after a draining loss at Georgetown, fly to Boston and take on two solid opponents in two days at the Harvard Invitational.

Mission accomplished.

Showing impressive fortitude, the Colonial Women won both their games by a total of three points en route to a tournament championship and a respectable 2-2 record.

The weekend also featured a nice milestone for GW head coach Joe McKeown, who picked up his 200th career win in Friday's game against Holy Cross. McKeown started his career at New Mexico State University, but has picked up his last 133 wins at GW. He is



Guard Myriah Lonergan struggles to maintain possession against the Lady Hoyas. The team committed 35 turnovers in the loss.

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GW 76, Harvard 75

In Saturday's championship game, GW led the Crimson by a comfortable 40-29 margin at the half, but Harvard cut into the lead and made a game of it.

The Colonial Women received a fine performance from their star center, Tajama Abraham, and the rest of the team chipped in nicely. Abraham scored a game-high 22 points and grabbed 13 rebounds. Her efforts earned her a spot on the all-tournament team as GW's lone representative.

Junior guard Lisa Cermignano, who had struggled with her outside shot prior to the weekend, hit three three-pointers and scored 15 points. Her strong shooting was representative of the entire team, which shot 52 percent from the

GW 67, Holy Cross 65

The Colonial Women won their first round game with the help of their best ball handling of the season. In stark contrast to its miserable, 35-turnover performance Thursday at Georgetown, GW committed only 19 turnovers and also shot 55 percent from the field.

Guard Myriah Lonergan, forced to handle the ball more than normal due to the absence of point guard Colleen McCrea, provided stability by scoring 10 points to go with five assists, three rebounds and, most importantly, only one turnover.

Abraham led GW in scoring and rebounding with 21 and nine, respectively.

GW received a big spark from freshman guard Vesna Perak, who came off the bench to torch the Lady Crusaders for 16 points in only 12 minutes. She hit 7-8 shots from the field, including two three-pointers.

Georgetown 72, GW 56

From the opening tip in the latest renewal of this intense cross-town rivalry, it was clear Georgetown wanted to take advantage of its athletic players and GW's lack of a true point guard.

The Lady Hoyas did this masterfully, pressuring the Colonial Women with full-court defense throughout the game. Georgetown guards Kacy Williams and Kimberly Smith ran Lonergan and fellow guard Desrene Lincoln ragged with their ball-hawking defense, part of a strategy GU head coach Patrick Knapp said he determined before the game.

"We knew they were without their point guard and figured we could do some trapping ... our defensive effort was great," Knapp said.

By halftime, GW had only one more point than turnovers (21-20),

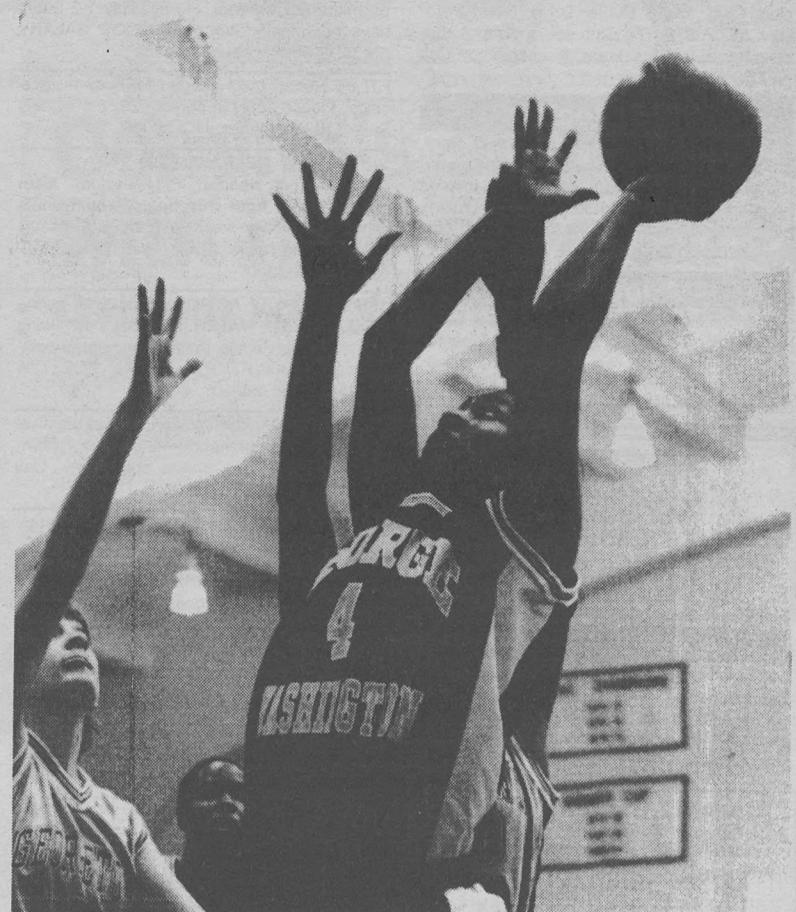


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Freshman forward Mandisa Turner powers her shot to the basket against Georgetown.

but was only down eight because Georgetown had not distinguished itself offensively, either.

GW rallied in the second half behind Perak and Lincoln to cut the deficit to seven, but Georgetown tightened on defense and the lead was never that close again.

McKeown was understandably frustrated by his team's performance. "You cannot expect to win

games when you commit 35 turnovers. It's our biggest problem," he said.

McKeown remained confident in his team's prospects for the season, which made him seem prophetic with their weekend wins. "I still feel like we're going to be a good team," he said. "The kids have to bounce back." The Colonial Women certainly met his wish over the weekend.

Wizard's Words...

GW helps kids' charity off court, hurts itself on court

The basketball-fest that GW took part in this weekend at USAir Arena has come to a close, and while it was a nice weekend in many ways, the team's play was not encouraging for Colonial fans.

On the positive side, there was the great concept of the Franklin National Bank Classic. There were two days of strong college basketball played with national interest. GW was on television twice and played in front of two of the biggest crowds it will encounter all year.

It was also a good event for Washington-area basketball fans, getting two top local programs together, something Maryland head coach Gary Williams noted after his team's defeat of GW. "I think this tournament is a great idea, with us, GW and two national teams. In terms of us playing GW, I think that if we do a good job, fans will see these games as something special."

The best result of the weekend was the fact that proceeds from the tournament were donated to the Children's Charities Foundation, which is more important than wins or losses.

John Feinstein, former Washington Post writer and now a well-known author with a love for

college sports, had a hand in setting up the tournament. "It's gone great. We're really happy with the crowds and it looks like we're going to be able to donate over \$500,000 to the charity," Feinstein said.

So clearly the tournament was a success off the court, but on the court, the Colonials were exposed as a flawed team. It wasn't so much losing the two games, but the way they lost them.

Those who watched this weekend's action saw a team with little order to it, and in desperate need for a point guard. Where are you, Shawnta Rogers?

The team's biggest disappointments this weekend were two guys everyone wants so badly to see excel, Vaughn Jones and Kwame Evans. The two senior co-captains who have been big factors for their entire careers at GW are also players with NBA aspirations.

Despite the above similarities, each player is a different case. Jones, at 6-5 and not particularly quick, is not a point guard. He's best suited to working the baseline, feeding the post or taking his bizarre 12-footers that always seemed to fall last year.

Now Jones has been handed the

job of "coach on the floor," and he seems to be taking it too seriously, incessantly yelling at teammates for the ball.

Once he has the ball, he looks to shoot way too much, but he's incapable of scoring on quick moves or long jumpers the way most point



guards do. Instead, he plays his baseline style at the top of the key and, at least this weekend, it didn't work. His two-game numbers: 5-23 from the floor, no three-pointers, seven assists and a whopping 12 turnovers.

I recognize that Jones is playing point by default, and that he did not ask for all the responsibilities he

now has. But he would be better off if he accepted his role, distributed the ball a little better, and tried to make it a successful senior year. His only chance for the NBA will not come from some imagined scoring prowess, but from his once-obvious leadership skills and controlled versatility. Doing what's best for the team will only help him.

Evans is a more mysterious situation. The enigmatic outside gunner looked downright scared against Maryland. What happened to the days of his best performances coming in the spotlight? He couldn't have picked a worse time to play poorly. There was TV, a local rival with players he grew up playing against and a horde of NBA scouts at the game. Surely they were looking for a player with more than just a tattoo that says "NBA" on it.

Williams said after the game that he figured Evans would struggle against a big defender, so he stuck swing man Exree Hipp on him. "He is not used to seeing a 6-8 guy as quick as Exree with his hands up, so I don't think he got many good looks."

Attention, Kwame: The NBA is filled with athletic, 6-8 two-guards who will be in your face making it

tough to shoot.

GW head coach Mike Jarvis viewed Evans' struggles as a result of him "psyching himself out" after some early misses, but added that Evans will be helped in the long run by the game. Maybe so, but you don't want to see your team's marquee player viewed as someone with a confidence problem.

Jones and Evans were not the sole reasons for the team's troubles, but their stature on the team provides some reason for concern. Another scary thought is that the Colonials have precious few opportunities left to get a nationally-respected win — the kind that are needed for the team to have something to do in March.

There are games against South Florida, Missouri, UNC-Charlotte and perhaps Old Dominion. This weekend's failures create a lot of pressure on GW to win three of those games.

I know that the season is too early to write off by any means, but the team should be aware that a successful season will require sacrifices by everyone, so that the classic hope for "a sum that is greater than its parts" can come true.

-Ben Osborne

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